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NEW COUNTY OFFICERS

With the beginning of the new year there are some changes in the officers of Oxford County, the new ones elected in September entering upon their duties.

As County Attorney Frederick R. Dyer of Buckfield is succeeded by Harry M. Shaw of South Paris. Mr. Dyer has served the office of county attorney two terms of two years each, though not consecutively, and a portion of another term to fill out the unexpired term of the late Lucian M. Blanchard, who entered the United States service and died there. In the office of County Attorney Mr. Dyer has manifested a high degree of ability. Mr. Shaw is one of the younger members of the bar, with an extensive acquaintance, and is enjoying a good practice in his profession.

As Judge of Probate Hon. Addison B. Morick of Bethel is succeeded by Aretas E. Stearns of Rumford. Judge Morick has held the position for twenty years by election, having been five times elected for four-year terms, and previous to that had completed the unexpired term of the late Seward S. Stearns after the latter's death. He retired with the highest respect of all who know him. Judge Stearns is well known throughout the county. Though a native of Lovell, his active life has been spent at Rumford, in which place he settled in his earlier days. He has served as judge of the Rumford Municipal Court, and has always been a prominent citizen of the town.

Albert D. Park, who has been Register of Probate for twenty-eight years, begins another four-year term in that position.

Harry D. Cole, who has been Sheriff of the county for two terms of two years each, enters upon another term of the same length.

Sheriff Cole has appointed the following as deputy sheriffs:

George H. Record, Buckfield
Charles L. Davis, Bethel
Frank R. Hines, Canton
John A. Babb, Dixfield
O. W. Cummings, Hebron
Fred A. Weeks, Mexico
Harry O. Stimson, Norway
A. W. Otley, Quakesset
William Stanley, Porter, (P. O. Kezar Falls)

Philip J. Leonard, Rumford
Benjamin B. Billings, Woodstock (P. O. Bryant's Pond)

Don A. Gates of Dixfield completes a term of six years as County Commissioner, and is succeeded by Walter G. Morse of Rumford. Mr. Morse has twice represented Rumford in the legislature, and is a well known business man of the town, with a wide acquaintance in the county.—Oxford Democrat.

MELLEN E. BOLSTER

Mellen E. Bolster, formerly for many years an active business man of Portland, died quite suddenly at his home on Highland street in that city Tuesday night, Dec. 28. Mr. Bolster was a native of Oxford County, having been born at Rumford Point, Sept. 19, 1837, son of Orla C. and Dolly B. (Keyes) Bolster. He moved with the family to South Paris in 1855. For some years he was a clerk in his father's store here, and had charge of the business after his father's retirement. In 1865 he went to Portland, where he was a clerk in several different stores, finally becoming a partner in a wholesale house which in 1884 became Bolster, Snow & Co., with Mr. Bolster at the head of the firm. In 1907 the business was sold to the Parker, Thomas Co., who continue it. For some years Mr. Bolster has been retired from business, and enjoying well earned leisure.

Mr. Bolster married Ann Sophia Roberts, and after her death married Mary Smith, who died some years ago. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Eva I. Hastings of Bethel, Mrs. Harriet W. Pierce of Portland and Mrs. Julia A. Morris of Montclair, N. J., and one son, Rev. Freelon E. Bolster of New York City.

Mr. Bolster had been for a long time a member of the High Street Congregational Church of Portland, and for years had been a deacon and trustee of the church. His funeral on Thursday was attended by Rev. William H. Mousley, the pastor of that church. Four of his intimate friends of long standing, T. H. Johnson, J. W. Parker, H. W. Shaylor, and E. P. Staples acted as honorary pall bearers.—Oxford Democrat.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors who so kindly gave their assistance in our bereavement, also for the words of comfort spoken by Rev. Mr. Curtis, and for the beautiful flowers given by the Grammar School and others.
Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bennett and family

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington

By J. E. Jones

THE TWO ANGELS

A poem written in 1855, has been brought to light, and used in illustrating the controversy relating to the development of certain water powers in the National Forests. Owing to its singular beauty it is here given:
"As every waterfall two angels stay,
One clothed in rainbows, the other veiled in spray,
The first the beauty of the scene reveals,
The last revolves the mighty water-wheels,
And there these white-robed sisters ever stand,
Utility and beauty, hand in hand."

Civic associations do well to court the angel of the rainbows, but beauty that plays the dog in the manger to prevent utility from performing the useful work she has to do, is certainly a selfish maiden.

Recent maps of the Yellowstone and other principal national parks nowadays are accompanied with perspective diagrams showing how it is proposed to enlarge them, and the schemes are so magnificent in some cases that one wonders why the civic organizations do not claim a few States and be done with it. They propose to tie up vast areas in park enclosures to an extent that will deprive the surrounding country of all benefits of their water-powers. In California, the state is dependent upon the water-powers of the mountains for electric power, and the enlargement of national parks according to schemes that have been brought out, would seriously handicap existing industrial relations. Then in Idaho land capable of bringing forth annually \$10,000,000 worth of food and giving means of livelihood for 10,000 people is to be bottled up in the Park, instead of permitting the use of 8,000 acres of unexploited mosquito-ridden swamp to be tramped into a beautiful lake, to serve as the reservoir and power creator for a great and fertile region that it would serve.

One hundred and thirty applications for water-power development have been received by the Federal Power Commission. These projects call for an industrial development exceeding a billion dollars, and the development of nearly a billion horsepower. It means employment for hundreds of thousands of men in the next few years, at a period when unemployment may be too general. It means that the eternal struggle for coal will cease, because water-power and the electric energy it will supply will supplant in thousands of cases the roaring fires that consume the inexhaustible coal resources of the country.

FICTION IN CIVIC IMPROVEMENT

Professional civic improvement propaganda apparently thrives on telling the public that industrial enterprises that seek to use our natural resources are "greedy" and the prejudices against the bogeyman of childhood days are restored in the minds of grownups until we are gullible enough to believe the kind of stuff that was popularized with reference to Niggers to the effect that for every tub of water used for industrial purposes that the scenic wonders were "despoiled" because the water wheels were reported to have drunk up the Niagara River, instead of having broken into "velvet spray," as it is borrowed for a few moments to produce power for industry. Today the great power houses are among the spots admired by the visitors to the great Niagara. It is likely that there would have been none of them if the professionals in "civic improvements" had been permitted their undisputed say in matters.

The startling declarations being mailed in profusion to all parts of the country saying that "the National Parks are in imminent peril," are about as true as it would be to declare that a beautiful horse would cease to be pleasant to look at if placed in a harness, or a beautiful city street despoiled of its civic magnificence if bordered by handsome and useful habitations, past whose doors automobiles and trucks plied in carrying on the affairs of a practical world.

Of course no one wants the National Parks to lose one whit of their natural magnificence; but the sentimental tomkins who were responsible for tying up the waterpower resources of the United States for half a century had preferably better drown clinging to their straw than to be tolerated in their efforts to spread national parks out over wide desolate spaces where they will serve no useful purpose, or even afford interesting scenery to look at. It would be just as reasonable to export the Pennsylvania and West Virginia coal fields to be set apart for national parks, since coal and water-power bear an identical relation to our (Continued on page 5)

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE IN BETHEL

The Christmas seal with its plea to better our health conditions is not new to any of us, but this year there has been a much more intensive campaign throughout the State.

Owing to a slight misunderstanding the seals were not placed on sale in Bethel as early as they should have been. This fault, however, was largely overcome by the energetic work of the school children whose combined sales amounted to \$1,189.

Following is a list of the sales by the different schools:

3rd and 4th Grades.....	1000
5th and 6th Grades.....	2231
7th and 8th Grades.....	253
West Bethel.....	300
East Bethel.....	200
South Bethel.....	500

Special mention should be made of Harold Marshall who sold 485, and Catherine Ramsell who sold 451.

The entire number sold in town was 5025.

This work could not have been done without the interest and supervision so generously given by Miss Stearns and Mrs. Willey.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE

It was a very natural mistake which placed the Bethel Drive for the Starving Children as a general movement. It would have been a great uplift all around had the statement been correct.

The wonderful Drive-promoter, the Rev. W. C. Curtis was so deeply stirred by the thought of starving babies, that he was impelled to place the matter before the village. Other plans taking precedence, no general movement was made;—and then Rev. Mr. Achenbach in a most powerful, because tender, appeal laid the matter before the Congregational church and parish, with the result that even at this season when pocketbooks are sadly tested—heads overflowed—and the sum of \$551.00 was cheerfully given to the chosen committee, consisting of Mrs. Ramsell, Messrs. Curtis, Hanscom, Upton and Gehring.

The additional sum from the general public of \$70.00 (making the \$551.00 and \$70.00—become \$621.00) indicates the generous willingness of the now well-informed community to join heartily in this terrible dominant need. It is hoped that Bethel, so ready to help, will see one hundred precious little faces before our eyes—this year of 1921—as Bethel saved children!

AMERICAN LEGION DANCE

The New Year's Ball held Friday evening under the auspices of the George A. Munst Post was an unusually pleasing affair.

About seventy couples were in line for the grand march led by Commander and Mrs. R. H. Tibbets at 8:15. The music was furnished by Pettengill of Lewiston and each of the twenty numbers was repeatedly encored by the enthusiastic dancers.

The large number of young people at home for the holidays added zest to the company and the gracious patronage of our leading citizens gave dignity to the occasion.

The Legion should feel encouraged to further effort in promoting wholesome recreation and procuring funds for the purchase of the Beloved Colors.

REBEKAH INSTALLATION

The officers of Sunset Rebekah Lodge were installed Monday evening in a very able and pleasing manner by D. D. P., Mrs. Addie Ramsell, assisted by D. D. G. M., Mrs. Susan Edwards. After the installation a short program was given, followed by refreshments.

The officers installed were as follows:
N. G.—Mrs. Constance Wheeler
V. G.—Mrs. Leona Drick
Rec. Sec.—Mrs. Anna French
Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Emily Forbes
Treas.—Miss Ida Packard
R. S. N. G.—Mrs. Addie Ramsell
L. S. N. G.—Mrs. Emma Robertson
H. S. V. G.—Mrs. Minna Brown
L. S. V. G.—Mrs. Alice Littlehale
Warden.—Mrs. Hattie Hall
Conductor.—Miss Cleo Russell
I. G.—Mrs. Ida Douglas
O. G.—Mrs. A. C. Frost
Chaplain.—Mrs. Eva Fox

GLINES-MITCHELL

There was a very pretty wedding at the residence of Rev. J. H. Little, Sunday, Jan. 2, when David A. Glines of Rumford and Grace H. Mitchell of Dover were united in marriage by Mr. Little, using the single ring service. The many friends of the happy couple wish them joy and prosperity all through life.

NEW YEAR'S WISHES HEAPED HIGH

(New Year's sermon by Rev. S. T. Achenbach of the Bethel Congregational church, published by request of one who heard, that others, who were not privileged to hear, may yet have the inspiration of its message.)

To all who hear and to all who would like to hear what are the wishes of my heart:

I wish you all the gift of profitable review. Your past is filled with events, occasions, experiences which have made your life what you find it to be. Of these it is well for you to ask, What has depleted my life and what mayhap has enriched it? Better still is it for you to ask, What has enriched and blessed my life? In looking over all through which you have passed and all with which you have had to do with the keen eye of good judgment and enlightened sensibility, may you learn what henceforth you should shun and what you should embrace. By diligent review you will find God in your past; you will discover, by recalling your evil and your good, that He opposed every wrong choice and course and self to help you resist evil, and prepared and showed you the way good. All this and much more may your past disclose to your backward-looking eye.

I wish you all the clearest possible vision of the present. To wish that you may attain perfect knowledge of what the future holds were vain. You do not crave such knowledge. May you have the prophetic eye, the gift of discerning the signs of the times; but more do I wish for you keen sight of everything claiming your attention and power now and every day as the days come and go. So will you be prompted to take one step and another in the walk of faith and obedience. Let the birds that spread the wing now draw your admiration—they are brave in winter's dull chill, picking what food winter's scant store holds, enjoying what sun there is, serving God's bird-purpose in days when "Green yale and vine-clad mountain lie locked in snowy sleep." Let the beams of the far Sun now cheer you, though their effort seems all but vain in taking the sting from the North's blast. In this Terrible Present, the day of dark cloud, the day of despair for so many of earth's people, open wide your eyes and see the light of God. Who but the Lord God Almighty can send light through the thick gloom of our dire times? May you see Him as the Illuminating Presence.

I wish you all an enlarging mental outlook. One of the greater human enjoyments is the exercise of growing faculty. Continuous mastery of the problem of living gives living a growing zest. It will be worth while for you to call a great book your intimate. It will mean much for you to be challenged by a trained mind, a mind offering to emancipate you from imprisoning prejudices, perhaps, to lead you to fields of knowledge yet unknown, to hold with you fellowship of uplift. Chief among ten thousand teachers is The Teacher.

"Come ye after me, and I will make you to become"—so still does the Teacher of greatest lessons shout over the waves of life's sea to men as they ply their trades. Some few follow Him, look with Him at life, adopt His life-principles. Then what? They some day make a joyous discovery—they feel themselves growing into blessed liberation of thought, they see things whole and rightly related, they adapt themselves to things thus seen and find themselves "becoming," as the Teacher promised. I crave for you the increasing privilege of the disciple of Jesus. So through you, disciples trained by the Master, may there be a splendid recruiting of the number of those who know what it means to live, who know how to meet the manifold forms of life's discipline and can teach still many others how to meet them.

I wish you all wholeness of being. Yours be the body navit by fleshly infirmity; yours the moral nature whose doors never open to the stalking poisons that paralyze the good in men; yours the mind over swept clean of the suggestions and invitations of the evil one. If the germs of ill health gain a hold in any part of your being by fault of yourself or another, remember Jesus Christ, Master of expulsion, Restorer. As in the ancient day He asks, "Will thou be made whole?" In men of prayer and large sympathies, in men of consecrated science, He lives and works in healing ministries. To you may come the wholeness radiating from the Great Physician.

I wish you all the power to create and use worthy material profit. It would be vain to wish every one riches. God in His wisdom would forestall the realization of such a wish. It is the few (Continued on page 5)

NEW SUB-MASTER AT GOULD'S ACADEMY

Mr. N. E. Robinson of Mt. Vernon, Maine, was recently elected Sub-Master of Gould's Academy to succeed Mr. G. H. Swasey, whose resignation was announced in last week's Citizen.

Mr. Robinson is a graduate of Mt. Vernon High School, Kent's Hill Seminary and Colby College, receiving his degree from the latter institution in 1915. During the year 1915-'16 he was Principal of the Frankfort High School, 1916-'17 Principal of the Newport High School, 1917-'18 war service in France, 1919-'20, Educational Director of the Norfolk County Agricultural School, Walpole, Mass.

Mr. Robinson comes to Bethel with the highest possible recommendations as to character, scholarship and teaching experience. We bespeak for him a cordial reception by the student body and the right hand of fellowship from the people of the community.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Pastor
Sunday, Jan. 9
4:45 A. M. Public worship, Sermon theme: "A Great Subject and a Great Predicate."

12:00 M. Sunday School.
7:00 P. M. Evening worship conducted by the young people. The pastor will speak on the theme, "What do you do with your game?"

Every one invited to these services. The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. J. G. Gehring, Thursday afternoon.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. C. L. Wheaton, Pastor
Regular service at 10:45. Sunday School at 12. Evening service at 7:00 will consist partly of information program. The Foreign Missionary Society will have charge of the meeting and will bring in facts about the Methodist work in foreign lands. Special music.

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Miss Lucy Fox, Thursday P. M.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Little, Pastor
Morning service at 10:45. Sunday School at 1. Evening meeting at 7. All are welcome.

PERCY M. BENNETT

The death of Percy March, the fifteen-year old son of Edward E. and Minnie Bennett, took place at their home in Mayville on Sunday, Dec. 26. For two years, Percy has borne with unusual patience and cheerfulness the ever-increasing pain and discomfort of a dread disease. His smile was bright, and his voice cheery when rigid self-denial and bitter disappointment seemed always to be his lot. Although with sad hearts his parents and friends saw life fast slipping from his grasp; yet he made plans as never before for his Christmas giving, fashioning with his own slender hands gifts for the dear home folks.

It surely would be his way, To have us think and even say, "He's not gone, he's just away."

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NOTED PASTOR DIES SUDDENLY

Dr. L. M. Powers Passed Away 24 Hours After Filling Universalist Pulpit

Less than twenty-four hours after he had preached a forceful sermon on the topic, "A Man Too Great to Die," the Rev. Dr. Levi Moore Powers, pastor of the Universalist Church of Our Father, died yesterday morning at his home, 431 Randolph street northwest. Heart disease was the cause of death.

Had strenuous Sunday
Dr. Powers had had a strenuous day Sunday. Special Christmas services were held in the morning, and at night he presided at the weekly forum at which "The Non-Partisan League" was discussed by Walter W. Liggett.

He came home Sunday night remarking to his wife that he did not feel well. He was restless, and a physician was called in the morning. At 9:30 o'clock, with his wife at his bedside, he passed away.

A Liberal Clergyman
Dr. Powers was one of the most liberal clergymen in Washington. While his radical views were attacked in some quarters, nevertheless he had a big following. His Sunday night forums, instituted about two months ago, were attended by some of the leading lights in the literary, religious and scientific world.

A writer of ability, Dr. Powers frequently contributed articles on current topics to the newspaper and magazines. His last article was written for The Washington Times and printed just before his death.

GRANGE NEWS

BETHEL GRANGE

Bethel Grange met for a special meeting Dec. 30. All officers were present except the Overseer, Chaplain, Treasurer and Pomona. Opened in form. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on five candidates. Eighteen members and four visitors were present. Closed in form. Refreshments of cake, sandwiches and coffee were served. The next meeting will be held Jan. 6, when the officers for 1921 will be installed.

FRANKLIN GRANGE

Franklin Grange held its regular meeting Saturday afternoon, Jan. 1. The following program was given:

Song, Grange
Piano Solo, Mrs. Woodsum
Reading, Mrs. Lovejoy
Song, Grange

Contest to name advertisements from their pictures. First prize won by Mrs. Woodsum; booby prize, Mrs. Annie Davis

Reading, Why Ma Became a Socialist, Mrs. Elsie Cole

Remarks on trip to State Grange by Dana O. Dudley

Jan. 22 at the double installation at West Paris the following officers will be installed for Franklin Grange:

W. M.—Dana O. Dudley
O.—Ella Davis
Lecturer—Bertha Lovejoy
Steward—Edwin P. Lovejoy

Asst. Steward—Albert H. Russ
Chaplain—Emily Felt
Secretary—G. W. Q. Perham

Treasurer—Florence Cushman
G. K.—Benjamin Thurlow
Ceres—Marguerite Dudley

Pomona—Christina Willard
Flora—Mrs. Bertha Davis
L. A. Steward—Mrs. Lizzie Buss

Chorister—Mrs. Annie Davis
Librarian—Amy Forbes
Trade Agent for the Grange Store—Florence Cushman

BEAR RIVER GRANGE

Bear River Grange held an all day session at its regular meeting Jan. 1 for the purpose of installing the officers. Dinner was served to patrons and their families, consisting of oyster stew, baked beans, bread and pastry. Grange was called to order by Master Earl Dew at 2 P. M. All the officers elected were present except Chaplain and Steward and were duly installed by Worthy Deputy Quimby Perham, assisted by J. E. Wight and Susan Wight. The meeting was then placed in charge of the Lecturer and the following program was carried out:

Song, Grange Quartette
Recitation, encores, Carrie Wight
Report of State Grange by Past Master Earl Davis

Music, encores, Garzo Band
Recitation, Ernest Holt
History of Good Will Farm, Addie Saunders

Duet, Feroi and Elita Brinck
Farce, "Dot Entertain," Bro. Saunders, Madeline Brinck

Song, L. E. Wight and wife, Percy Brinck and wife

Past Lecturer Susan Wight suggested a collection be taken for the Lecturer's work, and \$4 was received for same.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE

Pleasant Valley Grange held a special meeting on Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, for the purpose of electing officers. No other business was transacted. The following officers were elected:

Master—Edmund Smith
Overseer—Adrian Grover
Lecturer—Alice Brown

Steward—Charles McFalls
Asst. Steward—Paul Head
Chaplain—Grace Farwell

Treasurer—Alfreda Farwell
Secretary—Harry Hunt
Gate Keeper—Fred Mundt

Ceres—Bertha Mundt
Pomona—Bertha Sumner
Flora—Gertrude McKenzle

L. A. Steward—Cecilia McKenzle
Ex. Com. 3 years—Clarence Barker
Installation of officers will hold next Tuesday evening, Jan. 11. The meeting will be open to the public.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, God in His Infinite Wisdom, has called from our Order, our Sister, Lillian Brinck, therefore, be it Resolved, That Alder River Grange has lost a valuable member. And while we sorrow for our loss, we must be cheered by the thought, that what is our loss is her great gain.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family as a token of love and respect, that they be spread upon our records, and a copy sent to the Oxford County Citizen for publication, and our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days.

BLANCHIE THACK,
NINA SWAN,
MAY KIMBALL,
Committee on Resolutions

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**PREPARE FOR NEXT
SUMMER'S ICE SUPPLY**

A Necessity and Luxury on Dairy Farm

Customer: "This milk is sour."
Milk Inspector: "Your bacteria count is too high."
Cheesemaker: "I can't make good cheese out of this milk."
Butter maker: "We can't use this cream."

Hurts, doesn't it? Yet this is what happens regularly every year when can after can of milk arrives at the milk plant or creamery sour. One creamery returned over \$3,000 worth of milk and cream in one year to farmers. A milk plant received nearly 50,000 gallons of sour milk in one year.

Why? Because the milk was held and shipped at too high a temperature, and the bacteria in it multiplied so rapidly that the milk soured before it arrived.

Cooling milk on the farm will reduce this loss. All that is required is a supply of ice and a little care. Natural ice can be harvested on farms where 85 per cent of our milk is produced, and it is one of the real paying crops of the farm. Few tools are required, and for the average farm two saws, two pairs of logs, two ice hooks, one pointed bar, and one straight board for marking should be sufficient.

When to Store Ice
The first thing to do is to provide a place to store the ice. If ice is scarce and hard to get up, it would probably be well to build an ice house, plans for which may be obtained from the Dairy Division, United States Department of Agriculture. When ice is abundant and easily harvested, it may be cheaper to disregard the shrinkage factor and store it in a pit, cellar, shed, or other place and insulate it with sawdust or straw bales. If this is done, 25 to 50 per cent additional ice should be provided to allow for shrinkage.

Where cream only is to be cooled, allow at least one-half ton of ice per cow. If milk only, allow 1 1/2 tons per cow. These quantities should be enough to leave a margin for household use, but it is better to have too much than too little. When ice is particularly scarce, the ice house in the form of a shed, allowing 45 cubic feet of space for each ton of ice.

Marking and Cutting Ice
The point or stream selected for cutting should, of course, be free from

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.
NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE,
Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

dirt or contamination from barnyards, privies, or refuse heaps. The ice should be kept clear of snow, as snow retards freezing. When it has frozen to a sufficient depth, mark off the surface into cakes of the desired size, making sure that the lines form rectangles. Cut out a strip of ice (with the saw) the width of the cake desired, and force this strip under the ice, thus forming a channel to the landing and loading place. Large strips may then be sawed off and floated to the landing, where they may be cut up into cakes. These cakes are then hauled to the storage place and packed in as close together as possible, and all cracks and air spaces filled in with sawdust. Cakes that are cut squarely and are uniform in size and shape pack together with less air space and are convenient to handle.

The cost of ice is small, and the work generally comes during a slack season. There is little reason, therefore, why every farmer in the natural-ice section should not have ice with which to cool his dairy products, and to make such delicacies as ice cream, iced tea, iced buttermilk, iced fruit and vegetables, etc., possible on the farm.

Detailed information on harvesting and storing ice will be found in Farmers' Bulletin 1078, "Harvesting and Storing Ice on the Farm," which may be obtained on request from the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

**PROPOSED COOPERATION IN
CROP REPORTING FOR THE
NEW ENGLAND STATES**

Origin of the Plan
Five years ago Mr. Norgard, Wisconsin commissioner of agriculture suggested Federal State cooperation in crop reporting. The Bureau of Crop Estimates accepted his offer; the advantages to both departments, farmers and others were at once apparent, and the plan has spread rapidly to over half the states, with results everywhere satisfactory to all.

Conditions Now Favorable to Its Adoption by New England States

The plan has been considered here, and the present is a favorable time for the states to take action in response to the offer of the U. S. Department for cooperation here. Experiments prove that the making of crop estimates that will be within a few points of the facts is a matter of having proper kinds and sufficient amounts of data. The agricultural departments have pushed their tabulating service in cooperation to the point where it is seen by all that pre-

existing in crop reporting is now a proper and a necessary line of work for them. It is proposed to merge the crop reporting and marketing services of the U. S. Department, and this will facilitate the proposed cooperation in crop reporting—in fact, the two services should be conducted as one.

Fundamental Importance of Crop Reports

Every successful line of business, in laying out its marketing plan, finds production and progress reports for that line of goods essential, and a main function of the trade association is the furnishing of this information. Similarly, current, reliable crop reports and statistics are essential to successful marketing of farm products. Business men dealing with farmers, in turn, find the reports of great value by enabling them to distribute their goods more in accord with probable demand. New England agriculture is dependent in several ways, for its markets and for its supplies, upon regions outside its borders, hence the double usefulness of the reports. The war showed us the practical use for them, as nothing had done before, and business men, including farmers, and especially their selling associations are using them a great deal more.

Reports and Statistics Must Be Timely and Reliable

Clearly these reports must be both timely and substantially accurate so that they may be accepted with confidence. With a view to improving and extending its reports to important subjects of agriculture not now covered, the U. S. Department of Agriculture asks the six New England states to join forces with it in establishing a cooperative crop reporting service for all New England. The chief arguments for having the six states act together are that their combined area is about equal to that of an averaged sized state; that the commercial crops grown here come from several of the states and find their markets throughout all six; that crop reports and statistics covering only part of the states would have very limited usefulness; that a service covering all six will cost very much less than six independent services; and that the six states together form the smallest efficient crop reporting unit. The U. S. Department offers to pay half the cost.

If the six states together will pay the balance, this makes the cost to any one state quite small. The reports on commercial crops would cover each state here and every other important competing region in the United States, Canada and elsewhere. Each year there would be issued an summary of each state's agriculture, by counties, and ready for distribution by the close of the current year.

New England Agricultural Commissioners Have Considered Offer

At a recent meeting of the commissioners, it was estimated that the service would be put into effect the first year for \$100,000. The commissioners recommended action by all six states in asking authority from their respective legislatures at the coming sessions for this cooperative work; and an appropriation of \$1,000 in each state. Maine already has this authority and has tak-

ing the action suggested. The proportion is now being considered in all six states with excellent prospects for favorable action. It is receiving cordial support from the agricultural departments, farmers, their associations, farm bureaus, dealers and the press. Any service of this kind that makes the distribution of farm products more economical and prompt promotes the welfare of all.

Thoughtful Consideration of the Proposition Is Desired

We invite all concerned to give it their careful study. Suggestions and discussions will be welcomed by the Field Agent.

V. A. Sanders,
New England Field Agent,
Wakefield, Mass.

**HIGH PRICE OF FARM LANDS
SERIOUS FACTOR IN FARM OWNERSHIP**

During the last five years the selling price of farm land and improvements in the United States increased 65 per cent, according to estimates made by the Secretary of Agriculture in his annual report to the President. Between March, 1910, and March, 1920, the increase was 21.1.

Although the data for the 1920 census are not yet available, it seems probable, the Secretary said, that while the average price of farm land and improvements per acre increased only 20 per cent during the 40 years from 1860 to 1900, the price in 1920 is two and one-half times that of 1910 and five times that of 20 years ago.

"The price of farm lands is one of the important factors in the problem of farm ownership," said the Secretary. "It is estimated that between March, 1913, and March, 1920, the increase in the selling price of farm land and improvements was 21.1 per cent. In the last five years the increase has been 65 per cent."

Not Return Less

In some sections the net return on the purchase price of farm lands is considerably less than the ordinary rate of return on first mortgages and similar investments. The rental rate of cash leases, also, is frequently less than half the rate of return on mortgages. Studies made by the department indicate that, in certain regions, the recent advances in the price of land has still further aggravated this condition. Such a situation is unfortunate, for it increases the difficulties of a tenant who is seeking to become an owner. If he borrows a considerable part of the purchase price of a farm at from 5 to 7 per cent and then find that the investment will earn little more than 3 per cent, it will be impossible, in many instances, for him to discharge the debt.

While the increase in land prices, in some extent, a reduction of the general upward movement in the level of commodity prices, it must be regarded, in part, as an indication of the increasing scarcity of land available for agricultural use. This scarcity is not statistically apparent, for, in addition to the area of improved land used for crops, pasture, and other farming purposes exclusive of range lands, there is nearly an equal area that is potentially available for clearing, drainage, irrigation, or for utilization by dry-farming methods. With local exceptions here and there, however, this land is either inferior to that now in use or can be made available for farming only through heavy outlays for improvement.

War conditions stimulated an expansion of the area devoted to crops, estimated at 10.1 per cent from 1914 to 1918, or an increase of 3.4 per cent in the per capita acreage. This was effected by utilizing pasture land for crop production and by bringing into use other uncultivated areas. The expansion was particularly marked in the case of small grains. Since the armistice there has been a reduction in crop acreage. From 1919 to 1920 there was a decline of 3.4 per cent in the acreage of 29 principal crops. Apparently the reduction has been brought about by returning the land to pastures and by discontinuing the use of the low-grade areas which were temporarily utilized.

What the War Did
These changes should be instructive to those who would reduce the prices of farm products by bringing into use large areas of new land. It is clear that if prices had been extraordinarily remunerative to the farmer compared with the returns on capital and labor in industry, we would not witness this reduction of the acreage in cultivation, but, on the contrary, a continued enlargement of it. While war conditions temporarily increased the net cash income of the farmer and stimulated a temporary expansion of the crop area, this was due in large measure to the response of the farmers to the insistent call for more food, particularly wheat and rye, the principal bread grains. It is of not small significance that the contraction in acreage has been most extreme in the case of these crops, estimated at 31.5 per cent for winter wheat, 16.5 per cent for spring wheat, and 22.6 per cent for rye.

Much loose thinking and many wrong conclusions are based on false impressions concerning the profitability of farming. The increase in farm profits during the war was inevitably transitory. Moreover, measured in pur-

chasing power, they shrank rapidly as a result of the rise in general commodity prices. Owing to the highly competitive character of his business and the lack of organization, the farmer has had no effective means of preventing the impairment of his profits; his only recourse has been to migrate to the city and change his occupation, a course actually

followed by many. In the light of these facts and the fear of a continued decline of profits, it is clear why the tendency to expand the crop area has been suddenly reversed."

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THE HOME COLUMN

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How Graciously the Quality of Gratitude Works Within!

Ada Melville Shaw

I had been telling a friend the story of my venture in pioneering and when she had heard me through she asked, "Can you tell me what has been your leading thought or feeling through this whole experience?"

I answered quickly in one word, for my unique experience had left me with a clear-cut impression:

"Gratitude!"

"For what?" pursued my friend. "Everything! For the privilege of entering upon so difficult an undertaking; for strength to carry it through; for the sense of being protected by a Higher Power when, for reasons of solitariness and remoteness from neighbors, I was unable to protect myself; for the whole wonderful experience and what it has taught me of self-reliance, courage, patience."

She looked at me earnestly and then said, "That very quality of gratitude you part made it possible for you to have those things for which to be grateful."

When I was a little girl I fell into the habit of saying briefly in response to courtesies of friends and playmates, "Thank!" A saving reprimand came from an elderly woman who said to me, "If a thing is worth receiving at your hands it is worth three words from you. Cannot you take time to say, 'I thank you!'"

Perhaps if I had not been given the first simple lesson to ponder and practice, I might not have been ready for the greater suggestion offered later, to wit, that a grateful spirit invites and even brings to pass further causes for gratitude!

When a farmer's wife hurries through the morning's work, bathes and dresses two babies, hitches up the team and drives several miles on a hot day, opening three gates enroute, that I, her neighbor, may not be lonely, my answering gratitude is in proportion to my understanding of what she has done and my own unselfish desire not to be a burden to her.

When I meet her and her babies at the door, if I have this understanding of what she has done in order to be generous to me and if I have truly desired that my burden of loneliness should not be a burden to her, my answering gratitude for what she has done will be the genuine article and have a wholesome reaction upon my own heart. I will not be able to hide my appreciation of her kindness; I will resolve to try more than ever to meet my condition of loneliness so cheerfully that it will not be a burden to this little mother; I will find my heart and thought seeking for ways in which to give kindness for her kindness; and as I try to be a better neighbor to her I cannot but be a better neighbor in the community and so a better woman in every way.

The law of continuance of influence sees to it that the good begun by my neighbor, who generously gave of her time and strength for me, continues to spread, to act and react until the farther waves of influence have passed beyond our ken.

Shall we look at the reverse side of the shield? Let us suppose these conditions to exist: I was lonely indeed and in my loneliness turned my thoughts inward in self-pity. I looked out to ward my neighbor's distant home with the feeling that "Surely she might come to see me! It is a shame I am left alone this way! It is little enough for my one to do. She has horses, she can hitch up. She might!"

Either I do not know or do not care that this neighbor has limited strength, more work than she can well do and that it is no small undertaking to manage two babies and two horses and three heavy gates.

One day she comes. Do you suppose for a moment that I can receive her with an honest heart of truly sweet and humble gratitude? The very attitude I have been holding of self-consideration, self-pity and criticism, kills gratitude in me as surely as the touch of flame shrivels the petals of a rose. My outward pretense of appreciation may deceive my caller and even myself—for a time—but the end of genuine unthankfulness is the loss of genuine reasons for thanksgiving. People may continue their kindly acts to me for one reason or another but the bond between our spirits is not a living, loving bond and must naturally in time cease to operate. When people are friendless in this friendly world there is a reason not far to seek.

This is the Thanksgiving season of the year. It follows upon the harvest time. Not so few and far between as we wish are those homes that, in the golden autumn lull between summer's work and winter's cold, are looking up as a harvest of disappointment instead of the prayed-forfulness. Can they be grateful? Should they be grateful? What will genuine gratitude do for them? Of bitter disappointment do for them?

I can best answer by telling you an incident that came to my notice. My reason of illness, change of location and storm, John H. had had no crop for three years and the family's each re-

sources were at low ebb. This year the wheat was growing well, the vegetable garden would "help out" and there would be hay. Frost had spoiled the corn and the potatoes were a failure.

In one night, in an hour, hail thrashed out all the tender wheat and ground the beautiful bluestem grass into pulp. A summer's work and a year's provision gone!

I saw John and his wife early the morning after the disaster. They were smiling when they met me and their bright calmness made me weep. What they said to me, out of honest hearts, they had said to each other while the storm thundered on the roof and they guessed what was doing in their fields. "We are so thankful it was no worse. We have each other and the children, unharmed. The stock is not injured. The land is there. There is so much to be thankful for!" Then the dear farmer-wife and mother, turning to me, the older woman, said tremulously, "Don't you think we ought to be thankful for all of it? Surely there must be a good reason or it could not have happened! I'd be afraid to feel too badly!"

I looked through tears over the stricken fields and the sun was smiling on them. I watched John carefully after this to see if the spirit of thankfulness was born of the hour's emotion or was deep rooted. What I saw was a deepening of the accustomed reverence toward the Power that is above ours, even more tender watchfulness over wife and babies, an increase of industry and economy, a tightening of bonds between himself and neighbors who had suffered a common loss. In short, by the exercise of humble gratitude in the face of the storm, he was a greater, finer man and every quality in him necessary to worthy success in life was made to develop faster and more fully by the presence within him of the fruitful spirit of thanksgiving.

"I thank you!" The simple, gracious words are like a prayer. Shall they not stand for a prayer-habit of our minds, sung daily in the sunshine, whispered in the storms, heard always by the One who, at the heart of storm and sunshine, understands? The prayer will bring reply!

SUPPORT HEALTH PROGRAM

A committee, representing among other organizations the State Grange, Maine Public Health Association, State Chamber of Commerce and Agricultural League, State Federation of Women's Clubs and others, in reviewing the legislative program of various state and private organizations for health and welfare work, has chosen that of the State Department of Health as among those particularly worthy of support.

The committee report, in explaining its reasons why the Health Department appropriation is particularly worthy of being granted, says:

The State Department of Health lays emphasis on the need of a pure water and milk supply for the State, and investigates dangerous conditions. Its work along these lines will eliminate much of our typhoid fever. 33.13 per cent of our draft men were rejected for physical defects that admittedly could have been remedied in childhood. The State Department of Health is establishing a nursing system, which will enable our children to be examined for such defects before it is too late for them to be completely cured. These nurses will reduce our infant mortality and the deaths from childbirth by education of our mothers in parental care, and in the proper feeding of their babies. Our infant mortality has appreciably decreased with the small amount of work already done in the State. For instance, in the city of Portland, in 1916 there were 133 deaths of children under one year of age. In 1917 the child-welfare work was started. In 1919 there were 99 deaths of children under one year of age—a saving of 34 babies over 1916. A baby's life is valued according to insurance valuation at \$1200. There was a financial gain of \$41,800. The whole budget for health work for 1919 was \$28,000. Does such work pay? It certainly does. Figures prove it every where. It is estimated that the State Laboratory saved the citizens of Maine in one year, \$98,000.

The cost of maintaining the entire State Department of Health was \$76,000, showing a net gain of \$22,000. Further education in the proper treatment of babies' eyes at birth will prevent blindness. Education of the citizens of Maine in the need of early diagnosis of tuberculosis, of syphilis, and of cancer, as well as of all diseases, so that much infection can be eliminated, and many cures brought about, such education our State Department of Health accomplishes. It must have sufficient funds to do a real educational work. It is absolutely preventive and vital work, we believe. Illness brings a terrific economic loss to the State from a lack of earning capacity of its sick citizens, from days and months of productive labor lost, initiative and energy of its citizens through disease. No State can afford to save money by curtailing its Health Department appropriation.

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CANTON

Herbert A. Swift has been a guest of his son, Clarence A. Swift, and family of Salem, Mass.

Six children of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gammon of Hartford are ill with scarlet fever.

Miss Ruth Johnson has closed a successful school in the Wyman district with Christmas exercises and a tree. The room was prettily decorated for the occasion, and several visitors were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Banks of Brunswick have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Briggs.

Mrs. T. A. DeCosta has been visiting in East Sumner and Buckfield.

Mrs. Lee Martin and son, Harlan, have gone to Berlin, N. H., to visit her daughter, Mrs. Charlene St. Pierre, who has submitted to an operation for appendicitis.

Chas. Adams and Mrs. Ellen Brown of Wilton have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Adams and family.

Among those who attended the funeral of Mrs. Louisa T. Waite from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Osmond S. Waite of North Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Will T. Waite of South Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Waite of Livermore Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Waite of Dixfield and Charles Waite of Dorchester, Mass.

Word has been received of the death of Lucius Henry McCollister of Mechanic Falls and formerly of Canton, which occurred Saturday afternoon. Mr. McCollister had been in failing health for the past few years. He was born at Canton Point 65 years ago last April, the son of Richard McCollister and Phileas Ludden McCollister. He married Miss Carrie Records of Mechanic Falls who survives. They had one son, Erlon, who was drowned at Gilbertville when about nine years of age. Mr. and Mrs. McCollister moved to Mechanic Falls several years ago where he has been in the grain business. He is survived by three brothers, John and Richard E. of Canton Point and Dr. Eliza A. McCollister of Mechanic Falls, three sisters, Mrs. Margaret Weld of Canton Point and Mrs. Ella Haines and Miss Philura McCollister of Mexico. He was a member of the Free Baptist church, and an honored member of Anasagaticook Lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F. of Canton. The funeral was held Tuesday at 1 o'clock at the home. Interment was at Mechanic Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. O. Hayden and son, Thomas, of Springvale have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Paine of North Jay have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Conant and family.

The little daughter born to Mr. and

Mrs. Cyrus Smith of Amesbury, Mass., has been named Ellen Louise. Mrs. Smith was formerly Miss Georgina Adams.

Mrs. Evie Burke has gone to Norway to work.

The officers of Anasagaticook Lodge, I. O. O. F. were elected Wednesday evening as follows:

N. G.—Ezra T. Chamberlain
V. G.—Arthur Newton
Rec. Sec.—W. A. Lucas
Fin. Sec.—Herbert A. Swift
Treas.—Stanwood Bicknell
Trustee—Appleton Dodge
Janitor—H. A. Swift

An oyster supper was served. The installation occurred on Wednesday evening, Jan. 5, when S. C. Foster of Dixfield installed the officers in a very able manner.

The Boy Scouts with their master, Supt. T. A. DeCoster, took a hike last week and at their dinner on Peabody ledge.

Mrs. Rita Gilbert has been called to Portland by the death of her half brother, Melvin E. Boister, who was 73 years of age.

G. L. Wadlin has been confined to his bed by illness.

Evergreen Chapter, O. E. S., has elected officers as follows:

W. M.—Mrs. Myrtle Davis
W. P.—C. E. Mendall
Asso. M.—Miss Ethel W. Russell
Cond.—Miss Carrie F. Hayford
Asso. Cond.—Mrs. Julia Hollis
Sec.—Mrs. Cora Fuller
Treas.—Mrs. Velda Bicknell
Fin. Com.—Mrs. Clara Mendall, Mrs. Helen Eastman, E. K. Hollis

Installation will be held the second meeting in January.

A special meeting of Canton Grange was held Friday, 23 candidates taking the 1st and 2nd degrees.

The Misses Hazel and Ruth Gammon of Hartford and Stella Walker of Peru have gone to Florida to spend the winter.

Miss Ruth Johnson has gone to Bliss Business College to continue her studies.

Miss Agnes Cameron of Colby College has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Cameron.

J. L. Gammon and family have been guests of Mrs. Gammon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Dolano, of Rumford.

Miss Elva Woodward of Newport, formerly of Canton, recently submitted to an operation for appendicitis at her home and is getting along well.

Clara Johnson has entered Bliss Business College.

Mrs. Harold E. Parsons of Hartford has been spending several days at the home of O. M. Richardson.

The installation of Penamah Rebek-

ah Lodge will be held at a special meeting Jan. 20th.

Enos Sawyer of Hartford is cutting off a large lot of lumber from his farm.

Howard Winslow is at work for Harold E. Parsons of Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Chamberlain have moved to the farm of Leon M. Berry of Hartford, which they recently purchased.

NORTH WATERFORD

Mr. Al Goodwin has been sawing Jesse Littlefield's wood.

Mrs. Catharine Grover from Norway and son, Arthur, from Somerville, Mass., visited her son, John Grover, recently.

There was a circle meeting at the vestry Tuesday night.

The remains of Fred Mosher, who was a life long resident of this place, were brought here from Lovell, Friday, where he had been boarding a few weeks at the home of John Adams. He had a shock which caused his death, although he had been in feeble health for some time, he didn't live but a few days after the shock. He was a kind and obliging neighbor and anyone asking of him a favor had it granted if it lay in his power. As he had no one to care for him he had lived alone here until his failing health and mind prompted him to seek board. Rev. C. N. Ellipoulos helped him out in many ways and cooked and carried him food while he lived alone. The funeral was held at the vestry Friday afternoon at two o'clock attended by Rev. C. N. Ellipoulos. All the relatives he had are Geo. Hobson and Leslie Hobson, who are cousins.

Mrs. Henrietta Horr passed away Sunday night at about six o'clock.

Phil Lord of Portland has been visiting relatives here for a few days, also Ted Brown of Norway.

Ralph Knight and Phyllis Sawin, who have been spending their vacations here returned to their schools Sunday.

Mrs. Jennie McAllister, who purchased the Willis Kilgore place some time ago, will move here in the spring.

She is working at Jim Stone's camp this winter, and her husband is working with his team at the same place.

Mrs. Ella Charles visited Mrs. Lena Marr at Norway a few days last week.

About fifteen members of Waterford Grange accepted the invitation to meet with Round Mountain Grange, Saturday.

A delicious dinner was served and all enjoyed the day.

Annie Hazellon was at Bisbee town, Thursday calling on old neighbors and took dinner at her uncle's, S. L. Le-brocks.

Perley Grover was thrown out of his sleigh Saturday morning while on his way to work. He was not injured.

Rose McAllister has been visiting her

sister, Mrs. Will Card, since completing her work for Mrs. John Grover. Sylvia Ray is now working for Mrs. Grover. Charles Marston is at home from his work on account of poor health.

MORNING

By George Wilson Jennings

Sailing three thousand feet in the air in a Canada-Curtis aeroplane early one morning in October, the writer had an opportunity of witnessing one of the most magnificent scenes of which few people can boast, in seeing the sunrise over the mountains of Pennsylvania. In the early dawn it required some time to snail above the clouds to await the appearance of the first rays of the rising sun, then came a flood of glory, above and below, which will ever be remembered. At this juncture my pilot stopped his engine so that we could have a more complete view of this panorama before resuming the journey over the mountains.

The long slender bars of clouds floated like fishes in the sea of crimson and golden light. From this point of vantage I looked into that quiet sea; as we circled through the waving air and looked below, these mountains which seemed from that altitude but rolling hills. It was indeed, a supreme moment when the dimness and this sudden transition from grey to rosy light—this unrolling of the day-covered landscape spreading beneath—the oldest of all stories was again told. "Awake for the day has dawned." I was amazed from that short lapse of time, all darkness had fled and I beheld the glory of the day. Just at this point a moral character flashed across my mind which was a part of this autumnal scene; leaves falling like our years, the flowers fading like our hours, the clouds floating like our illusions—all bearing secret relations to our destinies.

I was always an early riser. Happy the man who is! Every morning day comes to him with a remarkable love, filled to overflowing with bloom and freshness which should be contagious, like the gladness of a happy child.

Let your sleep be necessary and healthful, not indolent and expensive of time, beyond the requirements and wants that nature has supplied us with; and oftentimes be curious to witness the preparations which the sun makes when he is coming from his place in the east, with morning as well as spring. If there is a response in you to the awakening of nature, if the prospect of the morning sunrise does banish sleep, if the warble of the first bluebird thrills you, then and only then can you fully realize as well as have that double assurance that the morning and the spring of life is with you.



MOTOR DRIVEN ICE SAW USED TO HARVEST CROP

An invention that bids fair to simplify the cutting of ice this season is an ice saw driven by a gasoline motor. An automobile engine was used in the building of this model shown in the photo. The operator merely directs the course of the machine, the saw teeth themselves drawing it ahead at a speed sufficient to make a clean cut through the ice. The next cut to be made by the saw is marked by the marker shown on the swivel arrangement in the foreground.

"Just a few minutes now, Peggy dear, and Daddy will be back home with a nice bottle of

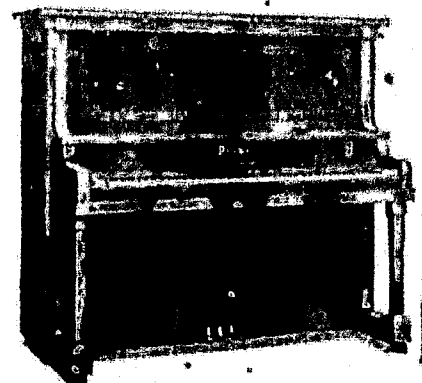
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The new prices of these wanted and desirable Coats will be taken advantage of quickly. Every Coat fashioned in the best styles, superior workmanship in every way and the materials are the kinds that you have admired all the season. Many Wooltex Coats among the assortment.

COATS that were \$67.50	Clearance Price \$42.50
COATS that were 49.75	Clearance Price 32.50
COATS that were 45.00	Clearance Price 29.75
COATS that were 24.75 and 27.45	Clearance Price 19.75

Small lot of Coats to close out in small sizes at \$14.95.

Extraordinary Price Saving on Ladies' Suits

Women who realize the advantage of making their money go farthest have been quick to see the great saving possibilities that this sale of suits provide.

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SUITS that were \$45.00	Clearance Price \$27.45
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SERGE DRESSES that were \$22.45 and \$19.75,	Clearance Price 14.95
SILK DRESSES that were \$29.75,	Clearance Price 24.75
SILK DRESSES that were \$34.75,	Clearance Price 27.45

Ladies' Sweaters

A good collection of models to choose from, the Tuxedo and Coat Styles are here in best colors.

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Clearance Price \$10.45

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Sale of Beautiful Georgette Waists

Waists that were \$9.95 to \$2.95

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Beautifully trimmed with fine lace and embroidery. Several others at a great reduction.

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SCOTCH YARN, LARGE DOUBLE SKIRNS, was \$1.15	Sale Price 80c
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SHETLAND FLOSS, was 55c ball	Sale Price 25c
SPANISH WOOLSTED YARN, was 65c	Sale Price 45c
SAXONY YARN, was 50c ball	Sale Price 35c
SHIRAZWOOL YARN, was 80c ball	Sale Price 60c

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NORWAY, MAINE

RUMFORD POINT

G. E. Matson and wife went to Andover, Friday.
School is again in session on this side of the river.
A. J. Marble sold his bay mare to

George Welch and has bought a black horse of E. L. Farrar of Redding that has some speed.
Jane Kimball returned from Portland, Wednesday.



Spanish Ambassador's Wife Reputed One of Most Beautiful Women in England

An excellent and most recent portrait of Mrs. Merry del Val, wife of H. E. Don Alfonso Merry del Val, who has been Spanish Ambassador to the Court of St. James since 1913. Mrs. del Val, who is said to be one of the most beautiful women in England, is a daughter of H. E. Don Pablo del Azola, one of the chamberlains to King Alfonso and a member of the Spanish Senate.

STAGNANT AUSTRIA
The above photo showing unemployed men loitering in the streets of Vienna tells the story of conditions in Austria today, better than could a 200 page book. Unemployment is widespread in the former Austrian Empire because of the lack of foreign credit, low exchange rates and unsettled political conditions. The unemployed loiter about the streets, waiting for nothing in particular, merely loitering and hoping for a job that will give them a living.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. Roscoe Cross is ill at this writing.

Mr. Fletcher Benn was in Norway, Tuesday.

Mrs. Archie Vorville was in Portland, Monday.

Mr. F. L. Edwards was in Milan, N. H., Monday.

Miss Marion Hutchins was in Norway, Saturday.

Mrs. Clara Abbott of West Bethel was in town, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown were in Gorham, N. H., Thursday.

Miss Bertha Cole spent last week at her home in Locke's Mills.

Mr. J. W. Carter of Boston was in town a couple of days last week.

Mrs. Millie Clark has been confined to the house a few days by illness.

Miss Alice Brown returned to her teaching at South Freeport, Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Becker was a guest of friends in town for the week end.

Mr. Arthur Brink, who is confined to the house by illness, is improving.

Mrs. Lloyd Luxton is assisting in the home of Fred Wheeler for a few days.

Miss Marion Frost returned to her studies at Castine Normal School, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pettengill and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tebbets were in town, Friday.

Miss Ruth Brown returned to Sebary, N. H., where she is teaching school.

Mr. Walter Strickland of Wakefield, Mass., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler.

Miss Vivian Wight was a guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Wight, in Gorham, N. H., Saturday.

Mr. Harry Young returned Saturday to Boston, where he is attending Tufts Dental College.

Mr. Francis Mills is clerking in the store of E. H. Young and boarding at Mrs. J. C. Billings'.

Miss Elsie Annas returned to Portland, Monday, where she is attending Gray's Business College.

Miss Irene Briggs of Albany was a guest of friends in town Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Miss Dorothy Hutchins of Norway spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hutchins.

Miss Anita Hoffman and Miss Ethel Allen from West Bethel were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Allen, Monday.

Mrs. Harry Hastings was called to Portland last week to attend the funeral of her father, Melvin E. Bolster.

Messrs. Sprague and Reynolds, box manufacturers, of New Bedford, Mass., were guests at F. J. Tyler's, Wednesday.

Mr. Kenneth Wight has returned from Gorham, N. H., where he visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wight.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Lovejoy closed their home Saturday and left for Florida where they will spend the winter.

Miss Ernestine Philbrook, who has been enjoying a short vacation at her home here, returned to Bates College, Wednesday.

Mrs. E. L. Edwards and Mrs. L. W. Russell were in West Paris, Tuesday, where they installed the officers of Onward Rebekah Lodge.

Miss Blanche Herrick, who has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Herrick, returned to Boston, Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Taylor returned Friday from Lynn, Mass., where he has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Eugene Maxwell, for a few weeks.

Mrs. Bert Richardson and daughter, Marion, returned to Ipswich, Mass., last Saturday, having visited during Christmas week at H. H. Brown's.

Mr. Harold Bartlett and Mr. Virgil Wight, former students at G. A., left Sunday for Durham, N. H., where they are attending New Hampshire State College.

Mrs. Arthur Wiley and daughter, Olive, came to Bethel, Monday, Olive resuming her studies at Gould's Academy, and Mrs. Wiley visiting her sister, Mrs. F. L. Edwards for a week.

Miss Kathryn Hanson and Mr. Robert Hanson, who have been spending their vacations with their parents, Prof. and Mrs. F. E. Hanson, have returned to their studies at Bates and Bowdoin.

Miss Rose Howe and Miss Norma Beals of Hanover were week end guests of Mrs. J. C. Billings.

Mr. Elwin Wilson of Bates College is spending his vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Wilson.

College students returning to Boston, Sunday morning were: Ray Parker, Wentworth Institute; Vivian Hutchins, Bentley School of Accountancy; Marjorie Farwell, Bryant and Stratton Business College; Malcolm Bean and Esther Tyler, Boston University.

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BETHEL, MAINE

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1920.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners of the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1920, committed to me for collection for said Town on the first day of May, 1920, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefore, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1921, at nine o'clock A. M.

Geo. E. Brooks,	Homestead Farm,	\$2.36	\$1.00
James Burhoe,	Mitchell Farm,	25.20	1.00
Ernest Luxton,	G. Beau Farm,	55.63	1.00
Howard P. Maxim	Homestead Farm,	44.10	1.00
	Chase Homestead,	9.45	1.00
	Cummings Farm,	1.68	1.00
Geo. Osgood	Homestead Farm,	22.05	1.00
Deborah Swan,	Homestead on Mill Hill,	15.75	1.00
Mike Vashaw,	Homestead Farm,	9.45	1.00
Heirs of C. W. Willey,	Homestead,	6.80	1.00

F. B. HALL,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1920.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1920, committed to me for collection for said Town on the first day of May, 1920, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefore, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1921, at nine o'clock A. M.

T. P. Blake,	H. Bartlett Farm,	\$15.75	\$2.00
Henry A. Cross,	Land at West Bethel,	3.15	2.00

F. B. HALL,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Andover, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1920.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Andover, aforesaid, for the year 1920, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 22nd day of April, 1920, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefore, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Town Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1921, at nine o'clock A. M.

Mrs. G. J. Swett,	F. A. Russell Stand,	\$63.72	\$3.00
Mrs. Cordelia Verlot,	Elsie Roberts Stand,	8.85	3.00

A. L. LANG,
Collector of Taxes of the Town of Andover.

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BETHEL, MAINE

RUMFORD

Mrs. Lucien LaPlante is making a two weeks' visit with friends in Westbrook.

Miss Ruth Morrill of Bangor is visiting her sister, Mrs. Douglass Evans, of Linnell street.

Miss Alfreda Hilton of Hillside avenue, Virginia District, has been on a visit with relatives and friends in Bangor.

Mr. Duval of Marblehead, Mass., has been visiting his daughters, Mrs. Auguste Bouffard and Mrs. Harry Hanson.

Harold Evans of Auburn has been visiting his father, Tom Evans, of Prospect avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burdin are in Lynn, Mass., for a visit of two weeks. Bill Thibodeau is clerking in Marx's clothing store during Mr. Burdin's absence.

The engagement of Miss Ida Orino, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Orino of Spruce street, and Mr. Austin Macomber is announced.

Mr. Emile Carrier, who has been employed in Detroit, Michigan, for the past year, has returned to his home in this town.

Among the recent French weddings in town was that of M. Thomas Theriault and Miss Mary Rose Thibodeau, Rev. Father Boivin officiating. The attendants were Alphonse Theriault and Joseph Thibodeau, also that of Alexander Clouthier and Miss Eva Biller, Rev. Father Harvey officiating. The attendants were William Clouthier and Michael Biller.

Stephen Pennell, Fred Eaton and Walter Morse left on Monday morning of this week for the opening of the legislature at Augusta.

The second of the series of municipal concerts will be held at Municipal Hall on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 16, with music by the Third Infantry Band. The program is now being arranged, and will be announced later.

The committee in charge of the concert and ball to be given at Municipal Hall on Thursday evening, Jan. 20, by the Foresters, are making elaborate preparations. Dexter's nine-piece orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion, and an attractive program is being arranged. It is expected that many of the local soloists will be heard at this time.

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Brooks, upon their return from their honeymoon trip, will reside on Crescent avenue in the Virginia District.

Miss Clara J. Hall of Newcastle will spend the remainder of the winter with her sister, Mrs. Alice Locke, at the Hall block on Congress street.

A son was born recently to Mrs. Richard Bonillard of Winthrop, Mass. Mrs. Bonillard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Mixer of this town.

The Harry Merrill place at East Anson has been purchased by Mr. R. I. Melcher of this town.

Miss Jessie Goodfellow, a graduate nurse from the McCarty Hospital of this town, has been engaged as nurse at the mill of the Continental Paper Bag Co.

Mrs. Elizabeth K. White, aged 24 years, died at the McCarty Hospital last week. Mrs. White was the daughter of John Knauer of Mexico. She married David White about seven years ago. Besides her husband, she leaves an infant a few days old, three other small children, a father and several brothers and sisters.

Amos Fournier, aged 22, died at his home on Echols street last week. He was a member of Company B, and while in the trenches suffered gas poisoning, from which he never recovered. The American Legion attended the funeral in a body. The deceased leaves besides his parents, five sisters and three brothers.

Miss Vera Rodgerson is at the McCarty Hospital, where she has undergone an operation for appendicitis. Her mother has arrived here from New Brunswick.

Rosy Cheek

for Girl and Boy

Keep the children in good health. It is the greatest blessing that can come to them. Most of their ailments start with irregularities of the stomach and bowels. Overeating or eating improper food, also failure to establish the vital movement of the bowels, are causes of such serious illness during the growing years. Frequently worms in the stomach or intestines are indicated by a feverish condition, restless nights, nervousness, biting the nails, choking, paler, and nausea. The safe, sure remedy is "L. F. Atwood's Medicine," used by Maine mothers for more than a half century. Buy it now and have it ready for family illnesses. 50 cents at your dealer. Satisfaction assured. "L. F. Atwood's Medicine," Portland, Maine.

CURED HIS RHEUMATISM!

"I am eighty-three years old and I doctored for rheumatism ever since I came out of the army, over fifty years ago. Like many others, I spent money freely for so-called 'cures' and I have read about 'Ure Acid' until I could almost taste it. I could not sleep nights or walk without pain; my hands were so sore and stiff I could not hold a pen, walk with ease or write all day with comfort. Friends are surprised at the change. You might just as well attempt to put on a shoe with a nail in it as to get rid of your rheumatism, neuritis and other complaints by taking treatment supposed to drive Ure Acid out of your blood and body. It took Mr. Ashelman fifty years to find out the truth. He learned how to get rid of the true cause of his rheumatism, other disorders, and recover his strength from 'The Inner Mysteries,' now being distributed free by an authority who devoted over twenty years to the scientific study of this trouble. If any reader of this paper wishes 'The Inner Mysteries of Rheumatism' sent simply send a post card or letter to Dr. P. Clearwater, 601-B Street, Halliwell, Maine. Send now, lest you forget! If not a sufferer yourself, cut out this notice and hand this good news and opportunity to some afflicted friend. If you send him this notice he will receive it free of charge without any charge whatever."

A suit for alienation of her husband's affections has just been brought against Mr. and Mrs. Guy Purington of Smith's Crossing by Mrs. Robert Seymour and is returnable at the February term of court. The amount is for three thousand dollars, and has been brought by Mrs. Seymour's attorney, Albert Heilman. At the October term of court, Mr. Seymour applied for a divorce, but was denied. Mr. Seymour is a freight conductor in the employ of the Maine Central, and is at the present time living with Mr. and Mrs. Purington. Mrs. Seymour conducts a boarding house here in town.

Mr. George Pettengill is spending a few days in town on business, having arrived from his winter home in St. Petersburg, Fla., the middle of the week. Upon his return south he will be accompanied by his brother, Oliver Pettengill, who will join his wife at the George Pettengill home for a visit of several weeks.

For the third time the Rumford and Mexico Water District closes its fiscal year with a clean slate, all accounts collected. The trustees of the Water District announce that a revised schedule, reducing the domestic meter rate 10 per cent for 1921, has been submitted to the Public Utilities Commission for approval.

Mr. Oville J. Gonyea of Gonyea Brothers, with his wife, leaves this week for a trip south.

The annual parish supper of the Universalist church was held in the church vestry on Tuesday evening of this week with a large attendance. The annual reports of the officers of the parish show them to be in a prosperous financial condition.

George Jones, a young man who was in one of the overseas units, and living on the Swan road in this town, committed suicide on Sunday last by shooting the top of his head off. He got up in apparently good spirits, went to the stable and fed his horse, came in to breakfast, sitting around talking with other members of the family. He then took down a heavy army revolver, and seemed to be examining it, when suddenly he placed the muzzle in his mouth, said goodbye to all, and pulled the trigger.

The Continental Paper Bag mill has closed down for ten days.

NORWAY

The Watch Night service at the Methodist church Friday night was well attended and the evening passed interestingly. A social was held in the Communion Hall from 8 to 10:30 and various games and stunts were enjoyed. Refreshments were served.

The annual meeting of the Clerks' Association will be held Thursday evening, Jan. 6, at the Municipal Court room, when plans will be made for the annual ball.

The second annual ball under the auspices of the Oxford Castle, No. 2, Knights of Golden Eagle, was held at the Opera House on New Year's Eve. A large crowd was in attendance and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

The Ramblers were delightfully entertained Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Evander Whitman. A fine supper was served at 7 o'clock. Covers were laid for 13.

Five new cottages will be built on the shore of the lake in the spring. The lumber is being hauled there now. Ned Packard has charge of the work.

Examinations will be held on Saturday, Jan. 8, at Norway at 9 A. M., and at Rumford at 9:30 A. M., to fill the position of rural mail carrier at East Stonham.

Dennis Pike left Norway Monday for Florida, where he will spend the remainder of the winter.

The Barton Reading Club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. George Brooks and a very interesting meeting was enjoyed.

Mrs. Helen C. Bickford has resigned as teacher of the eighth grade in the village school.

MRS. ALEXANDER BRADLEY'S FIVE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER VERY ILL

Here is a little bit of true life put into a letter by a mother of three children. It seems that since birth these children have been sickly. "But," says Mrs. Alexander Bradley of Danbury, Connecticut, "after 14 long years trying different remedies I have at last found a good medicine—Dr. True's Elixir. My daughter, five years old, has had so much trouble with worms and constipation."

"I was nearly discouraged. I was giving the oldest girl something nearly every night, but now I keep a bottle of Dr. True's Elixir handy, and only give it occasionally. I give two teaspoons at night and two teaspoons in the morning with good results. I have tried so many things that now as soon as I see signs of worms I give Dr. True's Elixir for quick relief."

"My son, 14 years of age, was always troubled with worms when small and Dr. True's was unknown to me then. I always have it on hand now, as I have another small child. They even ask for more. Now please print this letter so other anxious mothers may know the good results which follow Dr. True's Elixir for children suffering with worms and constipation, as I cannot recommend it too highly."

In these quick, active days we sometimes neglect our health. Often we eat too fast and do not allow proper time for digestion. Consequently we suffer from restless sleep and are distressed all day with troublesome headaches, nausea and general out-of-sorts feeling.

Symptoms of worms: Offensive breath, irregular bowels, a vital part of the body. At the first signs of stomach or bowel trouble, give Dr. True's Elixir—it is the right kind—pleasant to take, with no gripping or distressing after-effects.

Nearly every grown-up and every child needs a laxative. In Dr. True's Elixir only pure herbs are used. No harmful drugs. Keep the bowels regular by using Dr. True's Elixir.—Adv.

NATIONAL CAPITAL
(Continued from page 1)

Civil and industrial life, with this difference: One is exhaustible and the other an inexhaustible resource.

RAILROAD EARNINGS BELOW EXPECTATIONS

A tabulation from figures reported by the railroads to the Interstate Commerce Commission show that the net railway operating income for October of Class One carriers totaled \$91,761,000, which is more than twenty million dollars, or over eighteen per cent below the amount expected to be earned under the increased rates fixed by the Commission in accordance with the transportation act. On the basis of the net operating income for October, the railroads of the country would earn annually four and nine-tenths percent on the value of their properties as tentatively fixed for rate making purposes at \$18,999,000,000, by the Interstate Commerce Commission. This is an increase of three-fourths of one per cent over that for September as compared with the net operating income for that month.

Compilations show that the net operating income in every district fell below the six percent basis, the Eastern district being 22.7 percent below, the Southern district 16 percent below, and the Western district 9.3 percent below.

Reports show that the net operating income of 293 carriers for October were 51.61 percent of the amount expected to be earned by them under the rates fixed by the Commission, while the net income for both September and October was 75.37 percent of the amount anticipated for both of those months.

MAKING OVER THE GOVERNMENT

There is no end of foolish talk to the effect that the new administration will change most everything in the Government. As a start the Reavis Smoot resolution which got through in the Senate last session has gone through the House and up to the President. This, the papers say, "reorganizes the entire federal government and will save \$1,000,000 a day." Which is all fine puff!

What the resolution actually performs is to provide a joint committee of the Senate and House "to make a thorough investigation of the government establishments as now operated and to report recommendations for reorganization to Congress." This is fine stuff.

It has been fine stuff pretty nearly ever since George Washington was president, which is the period marking the beginning of attempts at greater efficiency in government. We have had a lot of talk about the "budget system," and it has supplied great hope for better things. But people seem to forget that the country is growing and that as it grows the Government must enlarge. In that process reforms in methods are always in order; and a new administration is always a fine time to "start something." Years ago one of these administrations in an exceptional display of zeal fastened the civil service on the government. Basically the idea was right, and theoretically it registered a hundred per cent. As a practical proposition it demonstrates itself more capable of perpetuating evils it creates than it does in correcting its own imperfections. Doubtless the "making over the Government" will register a large number of instances of "turning the rascals out." But their places will be taken by new favorites, and in the end Uncle Sam will more likely be found putting up another million dollars a day, instead of saving it as a result of the well-intentioned Reavis Smoot plan. In the Taft regime a

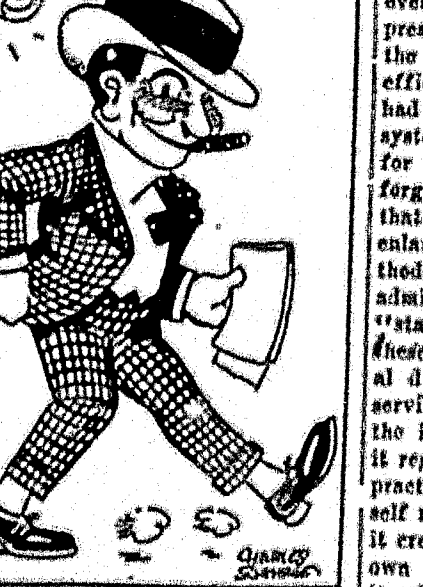
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PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN

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BRYANT'S POND

Frank Cushman of this village, who was in the employ of the government during the summer on the Yellowstone Park reservation, is staying for the winter at the home of his daughter in Muscogee, Oklahoma.

William O. Richardson, who has recently sold his property in North Woodstock to Mrs. George W. Whitman of Norway, has bought two houses in Mechanic Falls of James B. Mason.

The winter session of the town schools opened on the third. There has been one change in the corps of teachers at the high school since the fall term. Mr. Byron Barker is to have charge of the commercial course in place of Miss Olive Chase.

Oscar F. Bowker of 45 Avon street, Portland, was a visitor over New Year's at the home of his mother, Mrs. Angeline Bowker, in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned L. Swan, who spent the week following Christmas at the home of Frank Bird in Worcester, Mass., returned home Saturday.

A series of meetings have recently been held in the Advent church at East Woodstock.

EAST BETHEL
School is again in session after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kimball returned home to Brookline, Mass., on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Elsie Bartlett has returned to her school work at Dover, N. H.

Miss Annie Winslow, who has worked at Augusta, was at home for the holidays.

G. K. Hastings, Ceylon Kimball and others are loading pulpwood on the bank of the river.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Farwell were Saturday guests of their daughter, Mrs. B. J. Russell, and family at their new home in Rumford.

Mrs. George Swan of Dixfield, also Mrs. Charles Reed were last week's guests of their mother, Mrs. H. O. Blake, and family.

Alder River Grange held progressive whist at Grange Hall on New Year's Eve with a good attendance. The first prizes were won by Mr. M. W. Ward and Mrs. Rosa Bartlett, the second by Mrs. M. L. Hastings and Walter Merrill. Refreshments of hot coffee, cake and sandwiches were served.

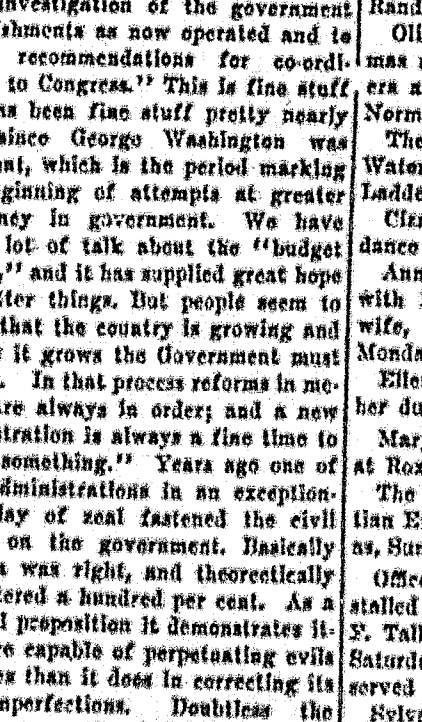
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The King's Daughters met with Mrs. Helen Ripley this Thursday afternoon.

SUNDAY RIVER
Herbert Long spent Christmas at H. M. Kendall's.
School finished Friday with the usual Christmas exercises quite a number of the children's parents were present.
Agnes and Enoch Foster spent Christmas with friends in Portland.
Mr. and Mrs. Ray York and baby spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. York's parents in Ketchum.
Irving French is working for R. L. Foster and boarding at R. M. Williams'.

J. A. Spinney who is working in Greenwood spent Christmas at home.
W. G. Emery spent Christmas at home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bean were at Harry Williamson Friday.
H. M. Kendall is hauling wood from Ketchum to Bethel for N. R. Springer.

LOOKER'S MILLS
Bartha Cole of Bethel has been enjoying her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole.
Myrtle Becker was in Bethel, Friday.
Donald and Lester Tebbets were out of town on business a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Hall of Auburn were last week's guests of her parents, W. R. Swift and wife.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pettengill and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tebbets were in Bethel, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Baynor Littlefield entertained Esau Lewis and Cecil Kimball of Albany, Sunday.
Several from here attended the dance at Bryant's Pond, Friday.
L. P. Bryant, who has been quite ill, is gaining slowly.

TELL US
If you don't like the Citizen.
If you like it,
TELL YOUR FRIENDS.

POEMS WORTH READING

The following poem was written by Angella Mason Eldredge of Rockport, Mass., and read at the Christmas concert in the Baptist church at that place, 1920. Miss Clark is 12 years of age, and is the granddaughter of Mrs. Angella Mason Clark of Bethel.

THE BETHLEHEM STAR

By Angella Mason Eldredge
Children have you heard the story
Of the wondrous Bethlehem star;
How it led o'er hill and desert,
Where men from the land afar?

How they found that lowly manger,
Where the heavenly Christ Child lay;
Jesus, our dear Lord and Saviour,
On that first glad Christmas Day!

Children have you heard the story
Of the angel song above;
How they sang of Jesus' coming,
And of that most gracious love?

How it waked the sleeping shepherds,
Told them where the Saviour lay;
How they went to seek the Christ Child,
Traveled in the manger hay?

'Tis a story worth repeating,
How I love to tell it o'er;
Till it all the world shall know it,
And shall love Him, more and more!

'Tis the greatest story, ever
Told by man or angel choir;
For it means the world's redemption,
Up from sin and Satan's ire.

No I pray that you may know it;
Pray that you His love may claim;
Pray that God may lift us upward,
Through our faith in Christ's dear name.

Just then to the wondrous story:
Learn it, make it all your own;
Love the Christ Child, love the Saviour;
Tell to others what you've known.

No shall be a glad redemption,
Sin and strife be swept away;
In the joy of Jesus' coming;
In the glad millennial day.

"I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU"

By Edmund Vance Cooke

Folks are often glad to meet other folks,
You know,
But they sometimes falter when it
comes to saying so;
Or they say, "I'm glad to see you," oh,
so curt and low,
That you wonder just how far their
gladsome feelings go.

Ray "I'm glad to see you" when you
mean it. Speak it out;
Don't bite off a piece of it and leave
the rest in doubt.
Let your lips know what your soul is
thinking most about.

It doesn't take an orator to say the
sentence right.
It doesn't need much rhetoric to make
you feel its might;
It has a hundred, hundred tongues,
which tell its meaning quite.

You feel it when you're going home and
catch the winter light.
You feel it when a sweetheart's smile, flash-
ing warm and bright,
'Tis in a mother's morning kiss and in
the rest of night.
And love's little reaching arms express
the same delight.

"Glad to see you!" O, you friends of
yesterday.
Could we only hear it from your dear
lips far away;
Could we tell it into ears which mingle
now with clay,
We might gain that fuller meaning
which the simple words convey.

Ray, "I'm glad to see you," then, to
those who still are here.
Ray it with that meaning which is mu-
sic to the ear.

More than simply say it; words are
cheap, but deeds are dear;
And men will say it back to you and
make their meaning clear.

WON'T THE GIANT

"There are no giants today," said he,
"As big as the ones that used to be."
"Oh, who told you that?" said I,
"And where did they go and why did
they die?"

And if they existed in olden times
To frighten the people with all their
crimes,
In spite of what somebody else may say
I am certain the giants still live today.

"Now I happen to know of a giant here
With a mouth that stretches from ear
to ear
And a terrible face and his hair's like
wire
And it stands on end and it shoots out
fire.

His particular joy is to make boys bad
And their fathers and mothers and
grandfathers sad.
The grown-ups are his best children
And the name of the horrible man is
Won't.

"That's a funny name, but it's his all
right.
He comes by day, he comes by night

"Why, sure I will!" you'd have killed
him dead."

—Edgar A. Guest

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:
At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1921, at 3 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Ralph B. Frost, late of Newry, deceased; petition for order to distribute balance remaining in her hands presented by Carrie F. French, administratrix.

Joseph Teller late of Oxford, deceased; first and final account presented for allowance by Frank L. Wilson, administrator.

M. L. Thurston late of Bethel, deceased; first account in the partnership estate of said deceased and Y. A. Thurston presented for allowance by said Y. A. Thurston, surviving partner.

Abby Abbott late of Andover, deceased; petition that Emma J. Dickens or some other suitable person be appointed as administrator of the estate of said deceased, presented by Emma J. Dickens, sister and heir.

Charles H. Berry late of Hartford, deceased; petition that Herman B. Berry be appointed as administrator of the estate of said deceased, to act without bond, presented by Abby E. Berry, widow.

Eliza M. Boothby late of Porter, deceased; petition that Grace M. Boothby be appointed administratrix of the estate of said deceased, to act without bond, presented by said Grace M. Boothby, widow.

Eliza A. G. Stickney late of Brownfield, deceased; final account presented for allowance by Charles O. Stickney and others, executors.

Loton Weston Flint late of Waterford, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Harold S. Pike or some other suitable person as administrator with the will annexed of the estate of said deceased, presented by Harold S. Pike, executor.

Witness, ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

12-30-20

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Fubelus F. Strains late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

EDWARD A. BILLINGS, Executor.
Bethel, Maine, R. F. D.
December 21, 1920 12-30-20

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Lewis A. Shaw late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

CHARLES F. SHAW, Executor.
Bethel, Maine
December 21, 1920 12-30-20

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Sarah A. Stowell late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

DAISY M. HAND, Executor.
Bethel, Maine
December 21, 1920 12-30-20

When you least expect him or never should
To spoil the peace of the neighborhood.
Why don't we kill him? Well, that is queer;
The grown-ups have tried it year after year.

But it's something we haven't the power to do;
Won't must be killed by a boy like you.

"You see, it's this way: Every girl and boy
This terrible giant can soon destroy,
But men can't do it, and so today
You had a chance when I heard you say

"I won't" to your mother when she asked you
Just to do something you ought to do.
Now if you had smiled when she called, and said
"Why, sure I will!" you'd have killed him dead."

—Edgar A. Guest

BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

REGISTER AS VETERAN SCOUT

A vigorous, concerted effort is being made by the national headquarters and the various local councils of the Boy Scouts of America to encourage all men and boys, who are eligible, to register as veteran scouts and thus become recognized life members of the Veteran Scout association. The slogan "Register the Veteran" has been adopted and will be used nationally for the next few months as a means of bringing about this much desired result.

Every first class scout official who has been in the movement a total of five years is eligible. The service need not have been continuous. This applies to scoutmasters and their assistants, troop committee members, members of local councils, commissioners, deputy commissioners, and all other officials. And it is announced officially that service of scouts during the late war, in the army, navy, marine corps or any of the recognized war service organizations will receive credit toward securing the veteran scout rank.

It is stated that between 40,000 and 50,000 men and boys now active in the movement are eligible to this rank, which in many respects is the most honorable of all, for it is figured that if one lives up to the scout oath and law for five years, he will be guiding the rest of his life by these high ideals and exemplify the theory of "once a scout always a scout." Besides those who are now active in scouting, there are many thousands of the million or more former members who are eligible, but perhaps do not know that they are. Local councils everywhere are asked to look them up and secure their registration.

If a boy scout joined the Boy Scouts of America when he was twelve, which is the minimum age, he may at the age of seventeen register and become a veteran scout provided he has then reached the rank of first class scout and has been during the five years a member or associate member of a scout troop. Membership in the veteran organization carries with it the beautiful V badge signifying five years' service, which at the end of ten years' service may be replaced with an X badge. And, of course, the veteran scout, having life membership, is entitled at all times, whether he is active or not, to wear the scout uniform and badge of his highest rank. Men and boys everywhere who have been in scouting five or more years are urged to apply at once to the local or the national headquarters in New York for registration blanks.

BURBANK ON GOOD SCOUTS.

Luther Burbank probably knows as much about boy culture as he does about plant life and its improvement by scientific means. Following is his idea of the bright light of every American boy who is to be reared under the best conditions.

"Every child should have mud pies, grasshoppers, water bugs, tadpoles, frogs, mud turtles, eddybugs, wild strawberries, quince, chestnuts, trees to climb, brooks to wade in, water lilies, woodchucks, bats, bees, butterflies, various animals to pet, hayfields, pine cones, rocks to roll, sand, snakes, huckleberries and hornets; and any child who has been deprived of these has been deprived of the best part of his education."

In commenting on this the Saturday Evening Post declared that "the largest single agency in the world that uses these raw materials as part of its regular stock in trade is the Boy Scouts of America. Persons who have not closely watched the growth of this lusty young giant can scarcely be aware of the stature it has attained or of the tremendous power for good in American life that it has become."

WORLD SCOUTS AT WORSHIP.

Doubtless the most impressive religious ceremony with a congregation of youth was that held in London on the first Sunday after the gathering of representative boy scouts of the world for their recent "Jamboree." There were assembled in the vast arena of the Olympia approximately 10,000 boy scouts from all parts of the globe, scouts of all colors, all creeds, and of 34 nationalities, and all in the uniforms they honor. More than 5,000 adults participated, completely filling the great building. The impressive scout law was in evidence, emphasizing that the crowning glory of scouting is reverence. Other services for scouts were held in Westminster abbey, in St. Paul's cathedral and the Westminster Cathedral cathedral.

GOOD TURNS FOR BOY SCOUTS.

The boy's department of the Y. M. C. A. in Cincinnati recently gave for the boy scouts of that city the greatest treasure hunt of their lives. About 800 boys raced over ten routes, at the end of each having been hidden a treasure for them to find. Upon their return to Y. M. C. A. headquarters there were other hidden treasures in that vicinity for them to find before the time for entertainment and refreshments.

SOUTH PARIS

The first meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion, Arthur S. Foster Post, No. 72, was held at the G. A. R. Hall, Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 29.

Grita Merrill, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Merrill, is ill of diphtheria.

Mrs. Rose O. Witham and son, Donald, spent a few days last week as the guests of her sister, Mrs. Chester Briggs at Mechanic Falls.

Miss Lena L. Franck has returned from Salem, Mass., where she has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Malcolm Cox.

Mrs. Bertha Adams, who has been visiting her sister at Jefferson, N. H., for a month, has returned home.

Miss Marion Clark is the guest of her brother, George H. Clark, and family at Melrose Highlands, Mass.

Mrs. Walter E. Penley of West Paris was the guest of relatives in town last Thursday.

Mrs. Arthur Soule and two sons of South Windham are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Morton.

Guy Culbert, who has been at Carthage, was at home over the holiday season with his family.

Richard Crockett is the guest of his mother at Cornish.

Miss Ruth Hemingway has been the recent guest of relatives at Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Dayton Bolster were in Portland, Thursday, to attend the funeral of his brother, Mellen E. Bolster.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Morton entertained Mrs. Louise J. Briggs and Miss Mae F. Penfold of Portland at dinner, New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Neal left town Saturday for Boston and other cities, expecting to be gone several weeks.

The Euterpean Club met Monday afternoon. The hostesses were Mrs. Helen Garcelon, and Miss Grace Dean.

The Community Club will meet at the Universalist church Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. A. Morton entertained the members of her Sunday School class at her home Thursday evening. Refreshments were served, and a very enjoyable evening was spent in playing games.

Miss Sue Porter of Portland spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Ida Porter.

Miss Eunice W. Fobes, a teacher in the schools of Wakefield, Mass., has been spending her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. James N. Oswell.

P. E. Hathaway of Chicago was the guest of his father, T. F. Hathaway, a few days last week.

Kill That Cold With

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FOR
Colds, Coughs AND
BROMIDE La Grippe

Neglected Colds are Dangerous
Take no chances. Keep this standard remedy handy for the first sneeze.
Breaks up a cold in 24 hours—Relieves
Grippe in 3 days—Excellent for Headache
Quinine in this form does not affect the head—Cascara is best Tonic
Laxative—No Opium in Hill's.

ALL DRUGGISTS SELL IT

Mrs. Cleve Kimball went to Portland, Saturday.

The food sale of the Ladies' Circle of the G. A. R. on Friday afternoon was well patronized.

G. H. Hamlen, superintendent of evangelism of the Maine State Convention will speak at the Baptist church next Sunday.

Harry M. Shaw was in Portland one day last week.

Miss Lillian Waldron of Portland was the week end guest of Miss Abbie Starbird.

All schools in town reopened on Monday, Jan. 3.

Cecil Kimball spent the week end in Portland.

Miss Leota Schooff, who has been at home from Kent's Hill for the vacation, returned Monday morning.

Mrs. Sarah B. Parlin entertained the Fidelity Glass of the Congregational church Monday evening.

Wilda and Lucille Cole were guests of relatives at Mechanic Falls last week.

Robert Brackett was the guest of relatives in West Paris one day last week.

The missionary society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. L. A. Rounds Thursday afternoon at 2.30.

Mrs. Oscar Barrows has returned from Polham, N. H., where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Milton V. McAllister.

Miss Ruth G. Miller left town Sunday for Philadelphia, Pa., where she will resume her studies in the art school.

Gustave Porter, who has been spending the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Porter, returned to the University of Philadelphia, Sunday.



Chicago Phone Girls Take up Basketball

Basketball, probably the greatest of indoor games, has become exceedingly popular with the young women of the Windy City, and already several teams have been formed by Telephone Girls of the City. At the Y. W. C. A., Chicago, on the night of Jan. 2 there was a game between the girls team of the Chicago Telephone Co. Service Department and a team composed of Chicago show girls. Here is shown pretty Miss Kittie Lockie, a member of one of the teams, about to "shoot" a basket.



New Life In The Old Home

Call in a good painter and put him to work. Now is the time to re-new worn and faded surfaces on walls, doors, floors and furniture. And ask him to use Glidden paints, varnishes, enamels and stains to do the job.

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GLIDDEN

PAJAMAS, having the feminine waists, engaging the eyes and taking on a touch of decoration, lashed on nightgowns, doted far away from model, into paths of and chiffon flowers and them otherwise out with fur-below, far behind those new eus sleeveless gowns slim and brief of you supporting a reproducible retain a little more ability in the choice of design.

The last word in well spoken in the shown above. This enough to captivate enough to please the not allow prettiness her good judgment, are made of flesh-colored showing their enamel original motif. Tails satin covered buttocks, from satin ribbon, a

NEW YEAR'S WISHES

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who please God by the way they handle over vast stores. In the hands of many, riches "are possessed, but not enjoyed"—neither, be it said, are they made sources of blessing. In the hands of many, "Gold and silver rather turn to dirt." Many who put "confidence in the mass"—the signs of coming disaster. Others behold their graves dug in their great heaps by the spade of self-interest and self-pampering. Yet, if God has made you capable of doing business with great possessions, may you lay up much goods and have the enjoyment of being a blessing. If your talents lie elsewhere, as the talents of most of us do, I wish you yet a margin of profit that somewhat secures your gentleness and takes away from you that anxiety which waits upon the empty purse. And may you have enough to grant you the inestimable privilege of helping to relieve the great and varied need of God's children near and far.

I wish you all good cheer. The toys of bright color are worth having, pleasant as they are not to be despised, yet I do not throw them with too much heartiness upon the heap of my New Year's wishes. Their gayness readily fades. They are like many other treasures, to the attack of moth and rust. But good cheer is a fitting treasure of a good heart; a heart lent to God in confidence and so made a strong treasure chest. May yours be the blessedness of the soul's visible peace and trust. The troubled world is looking for the face that reflects the light of a sunny heart. May the world not find in you just another melancholy, crabbed soul that sours all it looks upon. The hardened world desires and treasures more than gold the joy bubbling from a true and healthy heart, the gladness of soul which flows forth and makes the desolate places ring with liquid music. In you may there be the fullness of such joy. Emanating from you may there be the good cheer that by very contagion exerts laughter from the sorrowful, the despondent, the disheartened. So may cheerfulness make you a chief decoration of the religion of the joyous Christ.

I wish you all a conscience void of offense. "The great theater for virtue is conscience," said the Roman orator. I wish you ability to do well your part in the mighty drama playing in the theater of your conscience. May it be that God can rejoice in your career as a moral actor. May it be that your fellows can applaud all your acts. But conscience is also a sting botline. My wish were partial did I not wish you the sting of conscience when you go the way of wrong, when you make light of some great privilege or overlook any obligation. Keep your conscience keen, and when you feel its prod, thank God for the sensitiveness of the moral sense. His gift. In the course of the days to come may there come to you many a "self approving hour" because you find it your habit to do "what conscience dictates to be done."

I wish you all the capacity for the greatest neighborliness. Years ago a famous man with hearing the jargon of the voices of men. There is still so much that makes foolish men huddle in corners of artificial distinctions. Attempts made by a few great, free souls to unite and uplift the scattered elements of our kind are even yet thwarted by petty provincialism. Yours be the spirit of the unifier and peacemaker in community, national and world life. So will you ring true to one of the Master's greatest ideals. "That they all may be one." And a vast portion of the world needs the Samaritan's help. Millions near and far silently or audibly beg the "mercies" of evangelist, physician, director of profitable industry, distributor of food.

THEY ALL DEMAND IT

Bethel, Like Every City and Town in the Union, Receives It

People with kidney ills want to be cured. When one suffers the tortures of an aching back, relief is eagerly sought for. There are many remedies today that relieve, but do not cure. Doan's Kidney Pills have brought lasting results to thousands. Ask your neighbor. Here is Bethel evidence of their merit.

Mrs. H. A. Bennett, Mason St., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills have done me more good than any remedy I have ever used when my kidneys have been out of order. I can't recommend them too highly. My back at times would give out on me and I could hardly turn over in my bed, I was so sore and lame. My kidneys weren't acting regularly, either and I had a tired, nervous feeling. Finally, I sent to Rosserman's Drug Store and got four boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills. I began using them. This medicine was not long in relieving me of the kidney trouble and four boxes cured me so that I have never had a return of my former complaint."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Bennett had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—ad.

I wish you sufficient power for your task. Old tasks beg for the same old attention. Tasks growing old oftentimes form themselves into drudgery. But only those succeed who give themselves to drudgery. Novelty in work comes too seldom to supply continuous good business. I crave for you new power to do the old gladly and well. Yet the year now opening may carry to you a task which you never suspected could be yours. You are doubtless among those whom the Lord calls in these fearful days to help Him bring the chaos of the world into new and pleasant and useful form. Make of your every faculty a shining tool ready for your Master's assignment. Let no rust gather on any of your Christian talents when so much of the goods of heaven's love and good-will needs to be made. I wish you power so to work that no shame will over-appear your face when the Master of workers inspects the work of your hands.

I wish you a growing faith in the life immortal. Is not faith belief in action? It is not enough that you "believe in a future life." So to live that this life is seen as in a glorious continuity—that is faith in eternal life. The life beyond throws its challenge to you here. Voice call you to blessedness of existence. May you have the heart to make reply. "Here am I, ready to become, to grow, to achieve."

And if there be any other real good which you desire, that also I desire for you.

MARSHALL DISTRICT

Mrs. Fannie Briggs returned home Thursday from Locke's Mills, where she has been for nearly a year helping care for an elderly lady.

Miss Nina Briggs spent the week end at her home.

Charles Rugg and Carl Barker attended the Circle at Hunt's Corner, Friday evening.

Mr. Will Goodwin of Locke's Mills was a recent caller at O. W. Briggs'.

Miss Irene Briggs was in Bethel Tuesday and Wednesday, on business.

Mr. Merl Barker, who has employment at Cascade, N. H., was a recent caller in town.

Clarence McAllister is working for E. E. Barker.

WEST PARIS

Quite a large delegation from West Paris Grange attended Pomona Grange at Norway, Tuesday.

George Tucker of Portland was a guest New Year's Day of his mother, Mrs. J. B. Tucker, and sister, Ruth Tucker.

The Worthy Master of the State Grange will install the officers of West Paris Grange, Jan. 22.

G. H. Hamlen, D. D. State Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School preached at the Methodist church, Sunday morning.

C. E. Whitney of Farmington was a guest last week at Henry Brock's.

Miss Grace Brock returned to her teaching at Skowhegan, Tuesday.

Thursday evening the Good Will Society enjoyed a box supper at Good Will Hall.

Friday afternoon the superintendent of the Universalist Sunday School, Mrs. L. C. Bates, entertained the three grades of little folks from 2 to 4 P. M. Harlequin ice cream and crackers were served. Games were enjoyed. The children expressed their appreciation of the good time given by hearty hand-claps for their superintendent. Friday evening the superintendent gave a social to seven other grades which was greatly enjoyed. Harlequin ice cream and crackers were served, and all voted it a royal time.

Rev. Dwight A. Ball of Augusta was a guest from Thursday until Monday of Dr. and Mrs. Wheeler and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bates and other friends.

Dana B. Williams of Lewiston was in town Saturday to attend a meeting of West Paris Chamber of Commerce.

Rev. Dwight A. Ball preached at the Universalist church Sunday morning, the local pastor, Rev. H. A. Markley, being called to Auburn to officiate at a funeral.

Miss Elizabeth Marshall of Portland was the guest last week of her aunt, Mrs. Clarence Stearns.

Emerson G. Curtis has gone to Boston to spend the winter with his son, Percy Curtis.

Mrs. Jennie Brown Dunham of Lynn, Mass., is spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Brown, while Mrs. Ella F. Cole is taking a vacation.

NORTH WATERFORD

Fred Mosher, who is boarding at John Adams' at West Stoneham, has had a shock and remains very poorly.

Mrs. E. J. Paige was given a surprise on her 80th birthday, Monday, when Billie Marston, Annie Holmes, Annie Hazleton, Nellie Farmer, Nora Abbott, Ethel Lovejoy, Bernice Littlefield and three children, Willie, Marline and Edith came and spent the afternoon. The guests brought ice cream that was served with soda crackers. She received some gifts and post cards. A pleasant afternoon was enjoyed.

Stearns' orchestra plays for the New Year's ball at East Stoneham, Friday evening, and for the "Jolly Five Dance" North Waterford, Saturday night.

Annie Hazleton returned Friday from Lewiston, where she spent a very busy week attending State Grange and doing Christmas shopping.

Beth Elliott, Nellie Skinner, Leah Nelson and Helen Lovejoy were lucky winners of candy at the last dance.

Edith Emery of Milton, Mass., is spending her vacation from Boston University at her aunt's, Mrs. A. L. Goodwin's.

Mary Dresser, who is teaching at Precept, is spending her vacation at her home here.

Hersey Saunders is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Saunders and brother, Arthur and family.

Rev. C. N. Eliopoulos was a guest at Fred Hazleton's, Tuesday evening.

Paper and envelopes can be purchased at the Citizen office at reasonable prices.

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fore Thanksgiving Day. In this article, he threw light on some of the "inside" history of the early Puritans and their observance of the day of thanks and feasting.

Esposued Irish Cause
Dr. Powers was an ardent exponent of freedom for Ireland, India, Egypt and, in fact, all small nations. He frequently addressed mass meetings under the auspices of the Padric Pearse branch of the (then) Friends of Irish Freedom. He was one of the speakers at the meeting in memory of "old" Mayor McSwiney, held recently at American League Park.

Dr. Powers was born in Newry, Maine, March 21, 1864. He was the son of C. H. L. and Sarahette Moore Powers. During the years 1881-1888, he attended the Maine Wesleyan Seminary at Kent's Hill, Maine, following which he matriculated at Tufts College and Theological school, graduating in 1890. He was awarded the degree of bachelor of divinity in 1890, and received his doctor of divinity degree from Tufts College in 1907. He also attended summer courses at Harvard and the University of Michigan.

On June 5, 1901, he married Miss Emma Florence Tufts, of Somerville, Mass. They had no children.

He was ordained to the Universalist ministry in 1890, and accepted his first charge in Foxboro, Mass., the same year. He had charges in Somerville, Buffalo, N. Y., Haverhill, Mass., and Gloucester, Mass.

Dr. Powers came to the Church of Our Father in September, 1919, succeeding the Rev. Dr. John Van Schaick, Jr., and the Rev. William Couden. He preached his first sermon in Washington on September 7 of that year.

Asked Tont Permit
Coming to Washington during the height of the housing shortage, Dr. Powers was forced to resort to extraordinary measures in order to obtain living quarters for himself and wife. In a letter addressed to the "Honorable Park Commissioners" of the District, he asked permission to pitch a tent in Rock Creek park. In his letter he related how he tried every means in his power to obtain a place to live and the bitter disappointment of his efforts.

"As my church has for some time been without a pastor," his letter read, "I'd like to stay here awhile and see what I can do. Nowhere else are houses and tenements so high. I don't want to speak ill of the landlords, for I am impressed by the feeling (and oppressed as well) that only landlords can afford to be religious in Washington."

Loved New England
Dr. Powers eventually found a home at 451 Randolph street, where he lived to the time of his death.

He was a lover of New England scenery and spent his summers motoring through that section of the country. About a week ago, he was admitted to the Washington City Club. He was a trustee of the Universalist Publishing House, and was a Mason and Knight Templar. He was a member of the Twentieth Century Club of Boston, and frequently lectured on social and economic topics.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his father, and one sister, Mrs. Herbert E. Bennett, of Philadelphia.

The obituary was taken from a Washington paper under date of Dec. 28.

SONGO POND

I. N. Kimball has gone to Bethel to work for Clarence Hall, hauling timber to the river. He is boarding at Dean's Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Rolfe were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Rolfe.

Abner B. Kimball and Urbain De-comier were in Ridgeway, Me., on business the first of the week.

Miss Ina Good spent New Year's Day with her mother, Mrs. Moses Grover, at the sanitarium in Fairfield.

Miss Celia Kimball has returned to school in Bethel after a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lowe of Bethel were Sunday guests at Songo Lake Cottage.

Abner Kimball put Mr. Bieh's ice in last week, also his own.

GROVER HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler and family and Miss Ruth Hastings from Bethel called at Mr. A. B. Grover's, Sunday P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hutchinson and daughter, Dorothy, and Mrs. Fred Douglas from Bethel village were callers at Pleasant View Cottage, Sunday.

Miss Gwendolyn Stearns returned to Saco, Sunday evening, after a pleasant vacation of two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Stearns.

Mr. P. A. Mundt, who has been quite poorly for the past few weeks, is some what improved in health.

Mr. Fred E. Wheeler from Bethel visited friends here and in Mason for a day or two last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyon and Fred Haggard were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lyon, Sunday.

Miss Alice Mundt after a few days' vacation at home returned to resume her studies at Gould's Academy, Monday.

UPKEEP OF COWS AND LABOR CONSTITUTE 79.9% OF MILK PRODUCTION COST

What is the cost of milk production? This is the question that has brought increasing concern to each dairyman. In answer to it, the United States Department of Agriculture, through the Dairy Division, conducted a series of studies to give dairymen reliable information on this subject. These studies were begun in 1915, but the most recent upon which any data have been published was begun in 1917, in Elkgate County, Washington, about 70 miles north of Seattle. The report of this study is contained in Department Bulletin 919, Unit Requirements for Producing Milk in Western Washington.

A study of the results given in the bulletin shows that at the time of the study 60.4 per cent of the total cost of producing milk at the dairies investigated was for feed and bedding; 23.5 per cent for labor; 17.6 per cent for other costs; and 2.5 per cent for depreciation. The requirements for producing 100 pounds of milk during the winter were: Concentrates, 29.4 pounds; dry roughage, 92.0 pounds; succulent roughage, 143.3 pounds; bedding, 9 pounds; human labor, 1.0 hour; horse labor, .01 of an hour; other costs, \$0.570. During the summer milk could be produced at much less cost, there being required a comparatively small amount of concentrates.

Winter and Summer Compared
During the two years covered by the study, 44.5 per cent of each year's income from milk was obtained during the winter. During the first year records were obtained on 17 herds having an average size of 31.3 cows, while an average annual production of 7,369 pounds of 3.74 per cent milk per cow. During the second year 18 herds, 15 of which had been in the first year's work, had an average size of 28.6 cows and produced an average of 8,323 pounds of 3.59 per cent milk per cow. From each 100 cows in the herds during the two years, 55 freshened during the winter six months period, and 42 during the summer season, while three cows did not calve during the year. Nearly one-half of the cows freshening dropped their calves during the months from February to May, inclusive.

Most of the milk in this section is sold for condensing purposes, and is delivered by motor truck to large milk condenseries. All the herds selected for study were representatives of dairy conditions found in that section. It is the custom to hire milkers, who milk and take care of 25 to 30 cows per man and give their entire time to the herd.

Pastures Ad Production
In western Washington the pasture plays a very important part in milk production, according to the bulletin. With cool weather throughout most of the summer, plenty of moisture, and a rich soil, there is abundant pasture until late in the fall. During the pasture season almost 60 per cent of the milk for the year was produced and at one-third of the yearly feed, bedding, and pasture cost. The annual pasture charge per cow amounted to 1.1 acres of \$23.04. Such items as veterinary fees, medicine, disinfectants, and other items amounted to \$1.45 per cow per year. It was found that the number of hours required to care for a cow did not differ materially between the summer and winter seasons. However, due to the increased flow of milk in summer, the time required to produce 100 pounds of milk in that season was materially less in summer than in winter.

WEST GREENWOOD
Mary Harrington returned to her school work at Lewiston, Sunday.

Gertrude Harrington and Janet Campbell resumed their studies at Gould's Academy, Tuesday.

Mr. Colby returned to Mrs. Gross' Tuesday. He is now working for Mr. Downs.

School closed in this community after a very successful term, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perley Flanders and daughter, Dorothy, of Skillington spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennebagh.

Lillian Cross returned to Woodstock High School, Monday, after spending her two weeks' vacation with her parents.

Henry Hastings of Bethel was in town, Friday.

The pulpwood surveyor was in town last week, surveying the wood which has been landed on the banks of the brook.

Nellie Harrington returned to her school at North Bethel, Sunday.

James Spinnery was a recent visitor at his home at Sunday River.

James Coburn was at Bethel last Thursday.

Fred Edwards and daughter, Dorothy were in town, Sunday.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Catherine Grover late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

RAYMOND B. THIBETTS
Bethel, Maine
December 21, 1920
12-30-21

WANT COLUMN

Twenty-five words or less, one week, 25 cents; second week, 15 cents; each additional week, 10 cents.
Each word more than 25: One week, 1 cent and each additional week, 1/2 cent.

Young's Shoe Store

BIG BARGAINS

Phone 14-4

Purebred Jerseys, Farm Products, STEPHEN E. ABBOTT, Maplehurst, R. F. D. 1, Bethel, Maine
4-20-11

FOR SALE

A nice farm with tools and stock. Inquire of D. W. CUSHING, R. F. D. 4, Bethel, Maine
11-18-20-m-p

INSURANCE

Anyone desiring insurance will do well to consult me before going elsewhere. I carry both life and fire insurance in good, reliable companies.
W. E. BARTLETT, Bethel, Maine

FOR SALE—Cows to freshen in January, two heifers, pung, few small farming tools, etc., sewing machine, couch, chairs, tables, two small stoves. Inquire of Carl L. Brown, Bethel, Maine.

LOST—Between Mrs. Alfreda Fawell's and the Steam Mill a nickel carriage lamp. Finder please leave at Wallace Merrill's.

FOR SALE—Dry cord wood and stovewood, also a registered Holstein bull, 1 year old, papers given if wanted. R. L. SWAN, East Bethel, Maine. 12-30-21

PIANO TUNING—H. L. White, successor to Mr. Stinchfield, will be in Bethel early in January. Leave orders with Dorris Frost, Phone 42-11.

NOTICE—Clear back pork for salt, 10c; best bacon, 35c; 25 pound lots, 30c. W. C. BRYANT, Bethel, Me.

DANCE

Dance at West Bethel Grange Hall, Jan. 7. Good music. Oyster supper.

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the 11th day of January, 1921 at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier
Bethel, Maine, Dec. 1, 1920 12-9-20

WANTED

We will pay you 5 cents per pound for clean rags suitable for wiping presses, delivered at the Citizen office.

BETHEL AND VICINITY
Mr. Cleve West of Errol, N. H., was in town a few days last week.

Mr. Leslie Cobb is rooming at Mrs. Chauncy Bryant's.

Mr. George Thomas was in town a few days last week.

Mrs. H. C. Rowe and son, Herbert, were in Portland, Wednesday.

Mrs. David Babson is assisting with the work at Arthur Briack's.

Mr. F. E. Wheeler submitted to a surgical operation Wednesday morning at his home.

Mr. F. C. Holt returned home from Portland, Tuesday. His hand is much improved.

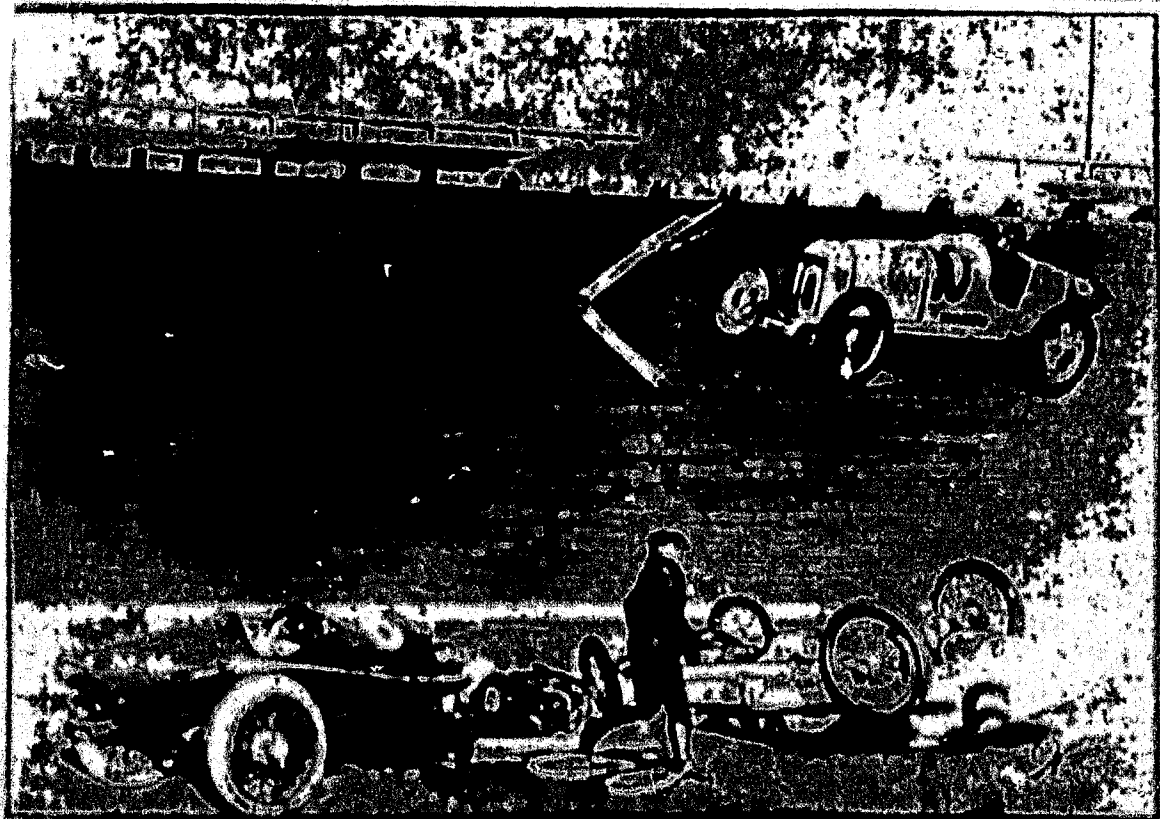
Miss Marian Pratt of Reading, Mass., was the guest of friends in town a few days last week.

D. Grover Brooks has secured the services of a plumber and is now ready to handle all kinds of plumbing work.

Mr. Richard Verville, who has been spending the holidays at his home, returned to his school in New Hampshires.

Mr. J. P. Farrington, whose condition is very critical, is slightly improved. His many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

If you have a relative or friend who has moved away, there is no better gift than a year's subscription to The Oxford County Citizen. It will keep him informed as to what is going on in his home town. Only \$1.50 a year.



NEARLY ANOTHER VICTIM

This composite photograph shows the car crash of Howard Hales, winner of the 200 mile speed champion ship race on the Los Angeles-Berkeley road, recently when that "Chrysler" Eddie O'Donnell and Lyle Jolles were killed in a collision of the racing cars driven by Chrysler and O'Donnell. Hales following close behind the ill-fated drivers at a speed of 100 miles an hour by desperate manipulation of his car averting possible death to himself and his passengers. Chrysler's and O'Donnell's cars are shown smashed up at the bottom of the incline.